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January 7. 1856.

This being the day assigned by law for the organization of the City Government for the present year, the following gentlemen appeared and took their seats, viz:

Alexander H. Rice, Mayor.

Aldermen.

John T. Dingley	James Cheever
Eben Jackson	Osmyn Brewster
Pelham Bonney	Levi B. Meriam
Timothy C. Kendall	Otis Rich
William H. Calhow	George W. Torrey
Farnham Plummer	Robert Codman

Mr. Pond of Ward 5. came up with a message informing this Board that a quorum of the Common Council were present in their Chamber and were ready to be qualified. The two branches accordingly assembled in

Convention,

when prayer was offered by the Right Reverend Bishop Eastburn.

After which the Honorable Lemuel Shaw, Chief Justice of the Commonwealth administered the oaths of office to the Mayor, who in turn administered them to the Aldermen elect and then to the following members of the Common Council

Common Council

Wd 1. Oliver Frost William Parkman William A. Krueger Henry L. Dalton

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2.	Amos A. Dunnels,	Edward F. Porter,	Bradbury G. Prescott,	Wm S. Albertson.
3.	James M. Stevens,	Lucius A. Bigelow,		John Peak,
4.	Robert I. Burbank,	Jerome W. Tyler,	Jacob A. Dresser,	Oliver Stevens.
5.	Joseph A. Pond,	Reuben Reed,	Barnet F. Warner,	Daniel F. Colburn.
6.	Ebenezer Johnson,	Ezra Farnsworth,	John G. Webster,	Davis B. Roberts.
7.	Samuel Hatch,	Hales W. Suter,	Rufus B. Bradford,	Daniel Craigin.
8.	Frederic L. Washburn,	Joseph Buckley,	Sylvester P. Gilbert,	David F. McGilvray.
9.	Jonas H. French,	Thacher Beal,	Nahum M. Morrison,	L. Miles Standish.
10.	Joel Richards,	John R. Mullin,	Robert Slade,	Nathaniel G. Nash.
11.	Francis J. Parker,	William F. Richardson,	Frederic F. Thayer,	Julian C. Mason.
12.	Ezra Harlow,	Freeman M. Josselyn, Jr.	Lewis G. Whiton,	Sumner Crosby.

Mayor's address.

His Honor the Mayor then addressed both branches of the City Council – after which the Convention was dissolved.

Aldermen: Chairman elected.

Upon the return of the Aldermen to their room, the Board proceeded to elect a Chairman in accordance with the provisions of the City Charter, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the whole number of ballots was eleven, Pelham Bonney had eleven and was accordingly elected.

Com: Council member qualified.

James W. Russell, member elect of the Common Council from Ward 3. came up accompanied by Mr. Hatch, and he was thereupon duly qualified by His Honor the Mayor, who administered to him the oaths of office required by law.

Message.

On motion of Alderman Plummer a message was sent to inform the other branch of the choice of a Chairman of this Board.

Com: Council organized.

Mr. Gilbert of Ward 8. came up with a message informing this Branch that the Common Council was organized by the choice of Oliver Stevens as President, and Washington P. Gregg, as Clerk.

On motion of Alderman Galvin a message was sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of the City Council forthwith for the purpose of electing a City Clerk for the present Municipal Year.

City Clerk. chosen.

Notice having been received of the concurrence of the Common Council in the foregoing proposition, the two branches assembled

In Convention,

The Chair appointed Alderman Dingley, and Messrs Burbank and Mullin a Committee to receive, sort and count the votes for a City Clerk, who having attended to that duty reported that the whole number of votes was fifty-eight, all of which were for Samuel F. McCleary, who was accordingly elected. The oaths of office having been administered to him by the Mayor, and the business of the Convention having been accomplished, the two branches separated.

In Board of Aldermen.

Rules & Orders.

Ordered: That the Rules and Orders of the Board of Aldermen for 1855 be adopted as the rules and orders of this Board (with the exception of Sect 23.) until otherwise ordered, and that Aldermen Dingley, Bonney and Meriam, be a Committee to report if any additions or alterations are necessary to be made in the same.

January 7. 1856. Joint Rules and Orders.

Ordered: That Messrs Burbank, Washburn and Beal with such as the other Board may join be a Committee to prepare Rules and Orders for the government of the City Council during the current year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Codman and Kendall were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 7. 1856

South Bay Lands.

Ordered: That Aldermen Plummer and Bonney with such as the Common Council may join be a Joint Special Committee with full powers to superintend the work of filling up and improving the South Bay Lands (so called) under the City's Contract with William Evans, dated Decr 30. 1854; to take the necessary measures to cause said work to be properly done and generally to see that the terms of said contract are fully and faithfully complied with in every respect. Sent down for concurrence. Jany 10 came up concurred and Messrs Johnson, Dresser and Thayer were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 11. 1856.

Meetings

Ordered: That Mondays at four P.M. be assigned as the days and hour for holding the regular meetings of this Board until otherwise ordered.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock P.M.

Saturday January 12. 1856

The Board assembled pursuant to a call from the Mayor at eleven o'clock A.M. for the purpose of drawing thirty five Traverse Jurors for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Chairman Dingley and Bowles.

The above numbers of Jurors having been drawn, the Board Jurors

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fourteenth day of January, in the Year 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Dingley.

The Special Committee of this Board charged with the duty of preparing Rules and Orders for the government of the Board reported a series of twenty seven Sections, to be printed in the Municipal Register of this year, being the same rule and rules to be adopted last year with the exception that the Mayor shall appoint the Standing Committees which report was read and accepted. Aldermen rule & rules

In accordance with the provisions of the foregoing rules the Mayor announced the following Standing Committees of this Board:- Standing committees

Armories &c. Aldermen Faxon

6. ter, Culnow, Kendall. Bridges - Aldermen Jackson, Rich, Bonney, Prince.

Wednesday 4 1856. Jackson, Rich, Cheever, Plummer. Sewers &c - Aldermen Plummer, Rich, Brewster. County Accounts - Aldermen Meriam, Bonney, Dingley. Fire Department - Aldermen Cheever, Meriam, Dingley. External Health - Aldermen Godman, Culnow, Plummer. Internal Health - Aldermen Bonney, Godman, Perry. Lamps, Gas and Clocks - Aldermen Rich, Jackson, Kendall. Licenses - Aldermen Kendall, Godman, Meriam. Jail - Aldermen Plummer, Bonney, Kendall. Market -

Wednesday 18. Aldermen Prince, Perry, Cheever. Sewers - Aldermen Rich, Dingley, Jackson. Streets and Drains - Aldermen Dingley, Meriam, Brewster. Steam Engines &c - Aldermen Cheever, Brewster, Jackson. Roads, laying out and widening - Aldermen Dingley, Bonney, Meriam.

Undertakers On nomination by the Mayor, the

[illegible] appointed Undertakers to the several [illegible] - [illegible], viz: Thomas Pearce and Richard Sherman, [illegible] - [illegible] - [illegible] - John White - Levi Whitcomb - Levi A. Whitcomb - William Cooley - [illegible] - Levi G. Pratt - Levi Jno. David Skinner - John H. Fiske - Shebnum P. Whitney - James Lynde - Philip E. Field - John D. Ingraham - Jeremiah Pinkham - Luther L. Turbell - David Gugenheimer - [illegible] - Thomas Pearce.

Hackney [illegible] On nomination & motion, do

[illegible] Levi Pratt and [illegible] appointed Hackney Coachmen for the ensuing year or until [illegible] - Prince Eldridge - Daniel Wright - [illegible] - [illegible] - [illegible] - Richard Young, Phillip F. Field, Levi Pratt and Levi A. Whitcomb.

Petition of John Jaffran (Lasdes)

Petition of William Washburn

that Union Street may be widened, and that Friend Street as re-

Petition of Joseph Cushing for the exclusive

Petition of Joseph Graham for

Petition of Francis Wood and

Petition of Silas Peck and Thos

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company

Washburn.

Cushing

Graham

Wood

Peck

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tended from Dover to Boylston Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Capen.

Petition of Samuel Capen for abate-

Mr Dermott.

ment of an assessment for construction of a Sewer in K. street; of James Mr Dermott is ordered [illegible] and that the petition be referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Lewis

Petition of William Lewis, Jr and

Lesher

others that Samuel Cook may be appointed Easter Master of Ward Eleven that Charles Saunders may be appointed Master. Read and laid on the table.

Company

Petition of Company A. First Regiment

A.

of Infantry for appropriation for armory &c. First Lieut. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Lyc.

Petition of C. Lynch and others for the use of Faneuil Hall February 22d 1856. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Edwards

Petition of Edwards, Fernald and

[illegible] for payment of [illegible] Referred to the Committee on Fire.

Health

The Superintendent of Health com-

Supt. of

municated to the Board his annual report for the year 1855. which was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Streets

The Superintendent of Streets com-

Supt.

municated to the Board his annual report for the year 1855. which was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

Yards

An Ordinance & three Orders entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance entitled an Ordinance concerning the Fire Yards &c." were severally

number of the Committee on Public Lands is fixed at eight – viz: three Aldermen and five members of the Common Council – was passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 14. 1856 | January 14. 1856

Ordered: That such Ordinances By-laws and special orders of the City Council, with a list of the City Officers in the various departments of the City Government, and such other matters as may be deemed advisable be forthwith printed under the direction of the Joint Committee on Rules and Orders, who may employ such assistance as may be necessary for that purpose. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 15. 1856. | Municipal Register

Notice was received from the Common Council that that branch had elected Messrs Frost, Parkman, Nash, McGilvray, Richards, Porter, and Suter as a Committee on Finance on the part of that branch. Read and placed on file, the Mayor and the Chairman of the Board of Aldermen being members of said Committee ex-officiis. | Finance Committee

The Committee appointed to report [illegible] | City Council

[illegible] attended to that duty, respectfully recommend that the Rules and Orders of the City Council of 1855 be adopted as the Rules and Orders for the present City Council, with the following amendments in relation to the same: viz: Striking out the clause "A Committee on Accounts to consist of three Aldermen and five members of the Common Council" and inserting in lieu thereof "A Committee on Accounts to consist of the number of Aldermen and members of the Common Council, which

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shall, from time to time, be requisite by the City Ordinances." By striking out the clause "A Committee on Public Lands, to consist of four Aldermen and eight members of the Common Council", and inserting in its stead "A Committee on Public Lands, to consist of four Aldermen and [illegible] members of the Common Council." By striking out the clause "A Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island to consist of three Aldermen and seven members of the Common Council" and inserting in its stead "A Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island to consist of three Aldermen and five members of the Common Council." By striking out the clause "A Committee on Fuel, to consist of three Aldermen and five members of the Common Council" and inserting in its stead "A Committee on Fuel to consist of two Aldermen and three members of the Common Council." For the Committee, Robert Codman, Chairman. Accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Appropriations

A communication from the City Auditor stating that additional appropriations are required for the Public Lands, came up from the Common Council, and was read and placed on file.

Loan

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of Fifty thousand dollars and that the same be added to the appropriation for Public Lands. Read in Common Council. Read a first time. Time of reference. Read and concurred. Sent down for concurrence. Robert Codman, Chairman. Messrs. Merriam, Plummer, Rich, Torrey & Keyes were appointed by the Mayor, January 15. 1856

Council

Ordered: That the several standing committees who are charged with the disbursement of the appropriations

of the several specific appropriations be, and they are hereby directed 11
to ascertain, as near as may be, and report to the City Council, the amounts January 14, 1856.
chargeable to each specific appropriation, by any contract entered into or
votes contemplating and involving charges upon the City Treasury, and
to be charged to their specific appropriation, and remaining unpaid; and
it is further Ordered, That each Committee if, in their judgement, any such
votes should be rescinded, or such contracts annulled, they report thereon
with such recommendations as, in their judgement, is most for the inter-
est of the City. Read and laid for consideration.
Jany 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, January 18, 1856.

Ordered: That the Auditor of Appropriation
Accounts prepare and cause to be reprinted the Appropriation Bill Bill
for 1855-56 with the present amounts of balances of each specific reprinted
appropriation, and at each future meeting of the Board correct and state the amounts remaining unappropriated and unex-
pended at the expiration of each succeeding month until the expira-
tion of the financial year; and it shall be the duty of the Messenger
of the City Council to furnish the Auditor with the rolls of each mem-
ber of the City Council, at the close of each succeeding month to the
end that they may be corrected agreeably to the foregoing order. Passed.
Sent down for concurrence. January 17. Came up concurred. Approv-
ed by the Mayor January 18, 1856.

Ordered: That Alderman Clarke Committee on
mer and Coleman with such as the Common Council may join management
be a Committee with authority to petition the Legislature of this Com- of
monwealth now in session to make modification of the law relating
to receiving & maintaining the City Poor & the Poor of Boston
and to remodel the House of Correction and the Lunatic Hospital

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in the charge of one and the same Board of Directors or Managers, provided such change in the management of said institutions shall be deemed expedient by the City Council. Sent down for concurrence. January 17 came up concurred, and Messrs Buck Maltbie and Cossitt were joined. Approved by the Mayor Jan.y 18.1856.

Committee on Accounts reduced

An Ordinance entitled "an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance establishing a system of accountability in the expenditure of the city funds" by which the number of the members of the Committee on Accounts is diminished was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

County Expenses

An order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Fairbank Bradford Brown Webb and Pond with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Committee to consider and report what action is necessary or expedient on so much of the Mayors Address as relates to County Expenses, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Merriam, Lincoln and Wheeler were joined. Approved by the Mayor, January 15 1856

Mayors Address

Ordered that Messrs Fairbank Bradford Brown Webb Pond Merriam and Parker with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to take into consideration the several matters touched upon in the Mayors Address and report what disposition should be made of the same. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Merriam and Lincoln were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 15 1856

Ordered: That Messrs Suter, Frost and Buckley with such of the Board of Aldermen as may join be a committee to consider and report what changes, if any, should be made in the ordinance providing for the appointment of a City Police for said City by this Board and came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Godman and Kendall were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 15. 1856.

January 14. 1856. City Police

Ordered: That the Mayor and Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized & required to issue to Minors of Fancy Goods, Wares or Merchandise in accordance with the provisions of the 3d & 4th Sections of this Ordinance passed on the fifteenth day of April in the year of our God Eighteen Hundred and forty six, entitled "An Act concerning Hawkers & Peddlers." Passed in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 15. 1856.

Minors restrained &c.

The report of the City Physician for the quarter ending December 31. 1855. was read and placed on file. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City Physician

Ordered: That the several Standing Committees of this Board report the unfinished business appertaining to said Standing Committees.

Unfinished Business.

The report of the Overseers of the Poor showing the amount and kind of disbursements by their body during the year 1855. was read and placed on file.

Overseers of the Poor.

The report of the officers having charge of Town Children and Paupers for the quarter ending Dec. 31. 1855. was read and placed on file.

Town Children & Paupers

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Registration

The order of notice on the petition to the Registration of Edward H. Hinks and William A. Gorman contesting the ballots of certain persons and voters in the Fourth Ward, and requiring the said Hinks and Gorman to show cause why the prayer of said petition should not be granted, was read and referred to the Chairmen of the Board and the City Solicitor.

Ice and Coal

An order of notice from the Supreme Judicial Court on petition of Thomas Buckmaster to be heard before the Committee on the matter of the late Investigations of Ice and Coal was referred to the City Solicitor.

Sewers Superintendent

Alderman Plummer in a few appropriate remarks announced to the Board the decease of Charles S. Wells the Superintendent of Sewers and at the conclusion of the same he moved that Monday next at four and a half o'clock P.M. be assigned as the time for the choice of a successor in said office.

Returned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen held at City Hall in Boston the twenty first day of January in the year 1856

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

January 21. 1836.

The Common Council having concurred with this Branch in adopting the report of the Joint Special Committee on [illegible] and [illegible] in the City Council with the exception of so much thereof as relates to the construction of the Committee on Accounts, said action came up for concurrence, whereupon the Board receded from its former vote touching said Committee and concurred with the Common Council in said matter.

Committee of City Council.

Accounts

The Common Council having elected Messrs Hoyt Boyd Bonney Smith Varick and Wilson a Committee on Accounts on the part of that branch, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted for three members of said Committee on the part of this Board it appeared that Aldermen Wilson Flamme and Wilson were chosen.

Committee on Accounts.

Harbor

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Frost, Porter and Whiton with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on the Harbor. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Bonney and Storey were joined

Committee on Harbor.

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs French, Nash, Hall, Hoyt and Inman with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on [illegible]. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Stevens, Flamme and Wilson were joined.

Committee on [illegible]

Fire

Order of the Common Council appointing, Messrs Otis, Porter and Whiton with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Fire

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to Fire Alarms, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Jackson and Colburn were joined.

Fuel

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Tyler, Morrison and Russell with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Fuel. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Colburn and Tuttle were joined.

Ordinances

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Washburn, Frost, Burbank, Coburn and Standish with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Burrill, Crosby and Coburn were joined

Institutions

Order of the common council appointing Messrs Ball, Tyler, Richardson, Dunnels and Wiggin with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Institutions viz at South Boston and Deer Island. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Tuttle, Crosby, Jackson were joined.

Messrs Department

Order of the common council appointing Messrs Fillmore, Sears and Hall with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on the Messrs' Department. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Bowditch and Rich were joined.

Public Buildings

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Bacon, Tuttle, Burrill and Jones with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee

on Public Buildings came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Jones, Quigley and Brown were joined.

Order of the Common Council appointing [illegible] on Lands with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Public Instruction. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Cordman, Meriam and Brewster were joined.

Public Instruction

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Foster, Gulick, Cochran, Tate and Hill with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Plummer, Chase and Cordman were joined.

Public Lands

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Gilbert and Krueger with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Printing. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Alderman Brewster was joined

Printing

Order of the Common Council appointing [illegible] with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on the Public Library. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Lick, Kendall and Quigley were joined.

Public Library

Order of the Common Council appointing Messrs Ford, Reed and [illegible] with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on the

Nursery Department

10 Treasury Department. Came up for concurrence. Read and con-
January 21. 1836 curred and Aldermen Sexton and Kimball were joined.

Water. Order of the Common Council appointing Alfred Bath, Esq., Mr. Stevens and Dutton with such as the Board of Aldermen may join a Standing Committee on Water. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Dingley, Torrey and Carlow were joined.

Paving Alderman Dingley having declined serving on the Committee on Paving and Alderman Carlow having declined serving on the Committee on the Market, the same gentleman was appointed on the Market Committee and the latter on the Committee on Paving.

Auctioneer. On nomination by the Mayor Jesse H. Wright was appointed an Auctioneer of the City at No 15 Winter Street.

Wells. Petition of Augustine Wells that the
Allen. last three or four Houses in Bourdoin Street may be re-numbered;— & A. P. Allen to be paid for damages occasioned by change of grade in Allen Street. Read & to the Committee on Paving.

Hunt Petition of James Hunt for a license to exhibit a Sparring Exhibition at the National Varieties. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Foster Petition of Dennis O'Regan & others for rent of room occupied by the Marshall Guards &c. Read & referred to the Committee on Finance.

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Petition of First Church for re- | First Church
muneration for damages sustained by the taking of Chauncy | Brown.
Place for a public highway. of Willian B. Brown for damages for open- | Eliot.
ing out the extension of Friend Street. John Harris' executor to be | Lincoln and
paid for land alleged to have been taken from said Harris in Orford | Ingersoll.
Place. of Lydia Ingersoll to be paid for damage sustained to | Hayden.
her from the extension of Friend Street. of Lewis Hayden to be | Hyde.
paid for damages sustained from the extension of Friend Street. of | Daniell.
Solomon Hyde to be paid for land taken to widen Vine Street. of Eliz | Goldsmith.
Daniell to be paid for land taken to extend Friend Street. of George | Grant.
R. Goldsmith to be paid for a strip of land taken from him at cor- | Howard.
ner of West Cedar and Revere Streets. of Moses Grant and of Hunt, | Parkman.
Warren & Co to be paid for land taken from them to extend Friend Street.
of Eleazer Howard also to be paid for land taken to widen Chambers
Street and of S. D. Parkman to be paid for land taken to
widen Green Street. severally referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Glendon Bolling Mill | Glendon
for abatement of tax assessed upon them. Referred to the committee on | Bolling Mill
the Mayors Department. Sent down for concurrence January 24. Came
up concurred.

Petition of Henry Smith & others | Smith
that their bonds to the City for certain lots of land on Tremont and
Springfield Streets may be cancelled. Referred to the Committee on
Public Lands Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up con-
curred

Petition of the East Boston | East Boston
Ferry Company for compensation for Keeping a portion of the Harbor | Ferry Co.
free by means of their docks. Referred to the Committee on the

20 Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. January 24 Came up concurred.

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Alt: Wash: Av Bridge

The Superintendent of the Avenue Washington Avenue Bridge reported that sixty seven hundred and eighty vessels had passed the draw of said Bridge since April 1st 1855. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Harlem River Bridge

The Superintendent of the Harlem River Bridge reported that thirteen hundred and seventy six vessels had passed the draw of that Bridge during the year 1855. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Stevens

Petition of Amos Stevens to be heard regarding [illegible] lease of store under Fanueil Hall. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. January 24 Came up concurred.

Davis Petition.

On motion of Alderman Rich, the Petition of William Davis, Jr. and others that Samuel Cook may be appointed Keeper [illegible] and that Wm Saunders may be appointed Keeper &c &c, were taken from the table and referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. January 24. Came up concurred.

Unfinished business

Ordered: That the several Standing Committees of the Board become the unfinished business of the next succeeding meeting of said several Committees. Sent down for concurrence. January 24 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 25 1856.

Ordered: That the Commit-
tee on Ordinances inquire into the expediency of providing by Ordinance that all city officers holding their places by election by the City Council except Justices Coroners and Constables, shall be elected on the first Monday in January annually or as soon thereafter in said month of January as may be. And also that all officers holding their places by appointment from the Mayor or the Mayor and Aldermen shall be appointed on the first Monday in January annually or as soon thereafter in said month of January as may be. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Jun[e] 22. 1856. January 21. 1856. City officers election

The Common Council having elected Abram Varney, Joseph H. Lind and Joseph Buckley Commissioners on the erection of a building for the Public Library, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the forgoing persons were elected in concurrence. Library Commissioners

The Joint Committee to whom was referred the order of January 21 1856 to consider and report what changes if any should be made in the Ordinance providing for an appointment of a City Solicitor passed April 24. 1846. respectfully ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject and recommend its reference to the committee on Ordinances. In the Committee, H. W. Fuller. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. City Solicitor Ordinance

Petition of A. T. Hall and others, of Samuel C. Martin and others, that Samuel Cook may be appointed Harbor Master. Referred in Common Council to the Com- Hall Martin

mittee on the Harbor. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Tuckerman's Petition

Ordered to notice William Jones Esq. Agent for the Estate of Edward Tuckerman and directed to be served forthwith by Lieut. Jones and Partington Steed, by delivering a true and attested copy of this Order, & that upon the further consideration of the subject was assigned for Monday next.

Appropriations

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts stating that additions are needed for the appropriations for Incidental Expenses and Claims was referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

Loan Friend Street.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of Fifty thousand dollars and that the same be appropriated to pay the expense of extending Friend Street. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 46 Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Burdett, Colburn, Cheever, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Lincoln, Plummer, Rich, Torrey, 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, January 22. 1856.

Orders of notice

Alderman Plummer offered the following - Ordered: That all orders of notice on petitions to the Legislature be transmitted directly to the appropriate committees of the City Council as soon as received by the City Clerk and that said Committees in connection with the City Solicitor be empowered to represent the City and provide for its best interests upon the several petitions of the Legislature referred to the consideration of said Committees & that said petitions be referred to said Committees. Read and laid on the table.

On the notice of intention to | 23.
build an chaise A. Phelps on Warren Street, the Committee on Streets | January 21 1856
reported that no action was required as to the lines of said street, | Phelps
but as the building to be erected is a large wooden structure they
recommend a reference of that matter to the Committee on the Fire
Department. Accepted.

The subject of the election of a | Sewers
Superintendent of Sewers which was specially assigned for this day
was postponed for two weeks.

The Superintendent of Public Build- | Public
ings presented to the Board his Annual Report of the transactions | Buildings
in that office for the year 1855. Laid on the table and ordered to be
printed.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty
eighth day of January Anno Domini 1856

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

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Jedediah Shedd was appointed a Police Officer and Enoch Davis a Special Police Officer.

Petition of F. N. Jenney for renewal of his license as a Manufacturer of Spirituous Liquors. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of N. L. Huskell, Edward Pond [illegible] to be paid for damages sustained by them as set out in said petition from the extension of Grand Street, was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Chas A. Davies to be paid for building a Sewer in Myrtle Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

[illegible] Petition of [illegible] against the change of name of Whiting Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Edward F. Raimond to be paid for damages sustained from the change of grade in Fifth Street. of Patrick J. Fleming to be paid for damages resulting from a change of grade in Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of C. Rice to [illegible] a wooden building from Richmond Street to Cambridge Referred to the Committee on Paving.

[illegible] Petition of [illegible] Sidewalk [illegible] Paving and to be laid with Trap Paving, but that [illegible] Paving [illegible] may be [illegible] and substituting [illegible] Sidewalk [illegible] would be [illegible] them. Referred to the Committee on Trap Paving.

A remonstrance of C. M. A. Switch- 25.
er and others against any increase of Tolls by the two Ferry Compa- January 28. 1856.
nies. Referred to the Special Committee above appointed. Switcher

The ballots having been taken Library
and counted for Trustees of the Public Library, it appeared that Trustees.
Edward Everett, George Ticknor, John P. Bigelow, Nathaniel B. Shurt-
leff, Francis J. Wyman, Thornton Kimmens, and others had been
chosen. Sent down for concurrence. January 31. Came up concurred.

The Superintendent of the North North
Ave Bridge reported that fifty five hundred and forty two persons had Ave Bridge
passed the draw of said bridge in 1855. Read and sent down. In
Common Council. Placed on file.

The Superintendent of the East Boston East Boston
and Chelsea Free Bridge reported that three hundred and Chelsea
forty two persons had passed the draw of said bridge since April last Free Bridge.
and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Notice from Thomas Richardson Richardson
declaring his intention to sue the City for an alleged continuing tres-
pass on his property. Read and referred to the Committee on Claims.
Sent down for concurrence. January 31. Came up concurred.

Petition of Charles Hunkins for Hunkins
compensation for injuries sustained in Washington Street, near
Chester Square. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down
for concurrence. January 31. Came up concurred.

January 26. 1856 - December. The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of William Chamberlain and others, praying for an extension of time for building a bridge and discharge of the duty on Northampton Street, having duly considered the same would offer the following Report: that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Freeman Hunt, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Read & thereupon concurred.

North Free Bridge. Ordered: That Aldermen Jackson, Lincoln and Bonney be a Committee to take into consideration the expediency of petitioning the Legislature to direct the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury to widen the North Bridge, so called, and to make such alterations in the same as will better conform to the width of the river and to open the same to the widest convenience.

Appropriations Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of appropriations - viz: From Reserved Fund to Old Claims Two thousand dollars - to Incidental Expenses Forty four Dollars and fifty cents. Passed in Common Council Jan 24. Notice came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Chandler, Calhoun, Cheever, Goodman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Merriam, Plummer, Rich, Torrey - 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor. January 29. 1856.

Indices of Deeds Ordered: That the papers in relation to the Indices of Deeds in which boards be taken, be referred to the Committee on Public Lands and Joined to it, and the Special Committee consisting of five members of the Common Council from each ward be and hereby is discharged from the further consideration of the subject matter of said papers.

of Aldermen may join. Passed in Common Council and Messrs Parkman, Pond and Nash were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Gilman and Simmons were joined. Approved by the Mayor January 29. 1856.

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On petition of Francis Boyd and others. Ordered: That the name of Prospect Street be changed to that of Parker Street. Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 29, 1856.

Boyd. Parker Street. Prospect Street.

On petition of Nicholas Jacobs and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have North Square be numbered at an expense not exceeding twenty dollars. Approved by the Mayor January 29. 1856.

Jacobs North Square.

Whereas, articles of agreement were entered into by and between the City of Boston of the first part; and John Cook and others, heirs of Cooper, and Joel Wheaton and others, mechanics &c on the second part, wherein the matter of damage to the second parties were submitted to the arbitration of George M. Dexter, Charles Edward Cook and Stillman Pierce; and whereas said referees made their award in writing and under seal which was signed, by agreement of the parties, by Henry City Solicitor on the part of the city and by Saunders on the part of the claimants by their respective Solicitors of Records: And whereas said award was been delivered to the City in part and so far as to order the payment of each item thereof except the payment of the costs which vote on the payment of the referees and Charles G. Hall, employed by said referees in the discharge of their duties: Therefore Ordered: That the sum of nine hundred eighteen dollars be paid to Jesse

Friend Street referees. Hall.

28. M. Dexter, Charles Edward Cook, and Billings Briggs and the sum
January 28. 1856. of one hundred eighty dollars and 38/100. to Lewis F. Pratt, and that
the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Pleasant Street.
Agreed to but reconsidered & laid upon the table.

Water Board. The Common Council have
ing elected Thomas Wetmore Charles Edward Cook & William H. Wilkins, Esqrs
Smith Chairman Water Board from S. Langley and Samuel Sutton, mem
bers of the Cochituate Water Board, said action came up for concur
rence. Read and laid upon the table.

Simmons. On petition of George W. Simmons
that the Lane be widened, the Committee on Streets reported leave to
withdraw. Read and accepted.

Shaw. On petition of William S. Shaw
and others that the Street Gas Lamps may continue lighted all
night here in the morning, the Committee on Lamps reported leave
to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Watering Troughs. The Committee on Licenses to
whom were referred the petitions of Hugh Keating and 9 others
& Sylvanus Wilson & others for the use of the Public Troughs on the Fish creek in this ward
for watering horses reported in favor of granting licenses as
the petitioners desired the assent of the Committee on the Common
be obtained thereto. They therefore recommend a reference of the same
to that Committee. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Engineer. Ordered, On the nomination of
the Mayor Wm. F. Bailey was appointed an Engineer of the Fire
Department. Read & Concurred.

Fire Engine House. Ordered, On motion of Alderman Wilkins
that the Committee on Streets be and they are hereby authorized to

stone to keep an Intelligence Office at 7 Oxford Place — and to Joel Caldwell at 141. Washington Street.

Leave was granted to Josiah Perham to give Concerts at the Melodeon. Perham

Ordered: That the rules for the use of Faneuil Hall now in force be and the same are hereby amended so as to provide that the Rent and charges for the use of said Hall shall be paid to the Superintendent "in advance" and also that the applicants shall be answerable "jointly and severally" for all damages done to the Hall in the occupation of the same. Faneuil Hall.

Ordered: That Mr. Sayer be and he is hereby authorized and empowered to petition the Legislature at this Session for liberty to extend Albany Street and connect it with a bridge which the City of Boston is already empowered to erect over Roxbury creek in accordance with the provisions of an Act passed March 19th 1855. Chapter 73. Albany Street.

Leave was granted to Micah Dyer Jr and others to use and occupy Faneuil Hall on the 22d of February next pursuant to the rules as amended this day. Dyer. Faneuil Hall.

The subject of the proposed widening of Cook Square and Washington Street by taking land of Edward Tuckerman's Heirs was postponed to the eighteenth day of February next. Cook Square. Washington Street. Tuckerman.

Pursuant to law the East Boston Ferry Company, and the Chelsea Ferry Company filed the annual statement of the condition of said Companies on January 1st 1856. Read and placed on file. East Boston Ferry Companies. Chelsea Ferry Companies.

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Butler. On petition of Newell Butler to be appointed a Weigher of Coal by the cargo the Committee on Vicant reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fourth day of February, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Hanlon. Petition of Owen Hanlon for appointment as an officer to the charge of the conveyance of Prisoners to and from the Jail. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Gas Petition of Henry Jones and others that Dover street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

East Boston Gas Light Co. An order of notice on petition to the Legislature by the East Boston Gas Light Company for an alteration in their Charter was read and referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Sept. Boston Petition of Stephen Sept to be compensated for damage sustained by change of grade in Sumner

ton Street, G. G. Dorr to be paid for damage sustained in changing grade in Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Passed April 6, 1886. 31.

Petition of Daniel C. Connor for leave to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Theatre, Washington Street, for one week; Petition of C. A. Forbes for leave to give Sunday Exhibitions at Howard Athenæum, for one night; Petition of J. H. Haskell for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 12 Tremont Street, referred to the Committee on Licenses. Connor. Forbes. Haskell.

Petition of John G. Torrey to be paid for land taken to widen Federal Street, & C. P. Allen, Owen Harrington, Holmes & Goodwin, William H. Barnes, Sarah G. Coolidge and others to be compensated for damages sustained by the alteration of Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Torrey. Allen. Harrington, Holmes, Barnes, Coolidge.

Proposal of Waldo Higginson to sell to the City a certain plan of the City of Boston made by him. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Higginson.

Petition of Edward Barry & others & Ground Rent Clerks in the Auditor's Office for additional pay for their services. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Accounts. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Auditor's Clerks.

Petition of William Poller to be paid for damages sustained by his son in Albion Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Read, came up concurred. Poller.

Communication from the Committee on Paving stating that the application of Paving Paving.

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is nearly exhausted and that an additional sum of twenty thousand dollars will be required to meet the Expenditure to the end of the financial year, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7. Came up concurred.

Barstow Crowley Drake

Orders of notice on petitions to the Legislature by William C. Barstow, Daniel Crowley, and Tisdale Drake severally for leave to extend their wharves were referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7. Came up concurred.

Economy in Expenditures.

Ordered: That the most rigid economy consistent with the public interest be required of the Committees of the City Council and that no power to incur expense on account of the City in any Department of the public Service; and in order more effectually to insure such economy it is desirable that written orders so far as practicable be given by the contracting party; and that such orders accompany the bill when presented for approval: and in the appropriation appearing in the Auditors Report under the head of Incidentals no expense chargeable to the City shall be incurred by any Committee, Board of Directors, Trustees of any Public Institution or Overseers of the Poor of Worcester, except on the written order of the presiding Chairman thereof: and the Committee on Accounts are directed to appoint a Bill Clerk under whose hand in which the items of charge do not distinctly appear, and the authority by which such items were furnished. Ordered in Common Council to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Ordered: That the Committee on the Erection of Public Buildings be instructed to cause the Lot of land on the corner of Main and Front streets to be surveyed and

to the first day of February 1856: the amount to be charged to the ap- 33.
propriation for Salaries. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7. Came up Feb. 6. 1856.
concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 9. 1856.

Ordered: That the Committee on Pawnbrokers.
Ordinances be and they are hereby directed to report an Ordinance
prescribing rules and regulations for licensing Pawnbrokers in this
City pursuant to Chap. 121. of the Statutes of 1855. Sent down for concur-
rence. Feb. 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 9. 1856.

The Annual Report of the Light City
Dept of Births Deaths and Marriages for the year 1855. was received Registrar.
from the Common Council, and was laid on the table and order-
ed to be printed.

Ordered: That the Cochituate Water Cochituate
Board be and they are hereby authorized to print their annual report Water Board
to the City Council in print. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7. Came
up concurred. Approved by the Mayor February 9. 1856

Ordered: That the Committee on Harbor
the Harbor consider and report what measures if any, are necessary Improvements.
may to be taken by the City, to procure a continuation of Harbor im-
provements from the United States and the purchase of Gallops Is-
land. Passed in Common Council, sent up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 5. 1856

Ordered: That the Bill of Mark Gre- Gregins
gins one of the Overseers of the House of Industry amounting to
one hundred ninety six dollars and forty four cents for work done

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on the Petition of Henry Morrison be allowed and paid provided the same is approved and audited in the usual manner. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 5. 1856.

Back Bay Lands

Ordered: That the papers relating to the care and improvement of the Back Bay Lands, so called, be taken from the files of the last year, and referred to a joint Special Committee who shall have full power to confer with the State Commissioners on that subject, and who are hereby requested to report such recommendations to the City Council as they shall deem expedient. Passed and Aldermen Plummer and Bonney were appointed on said Committee. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7. Came up concurred, and Messrs Ford, Washburn and Webster were joined. Approved by the Mayor. Feb. 9. 1856.

Harbor Master. Harv. Pilot. Austin Petit.

The Committee on Harbor to whom was referred the petitions of Benjamin Faunce and twenty eight others, and Samuel J. Pratt and twenty five others merchants of Boston, and Samuel C. Austin and others citizens of Boston, that Captain Samuel Cook may be appointed Harbor Master, and Samuel Colby and twenty one others remonstrating if there is to be a change of Harbor Masters that Captain Charles Saunders be appointed to that office; have considered the several petitions and Report: The office of Harbor Master is created by the Statutes of the Commonwealth (see revised Ordinances. Sec. 11th on the 173d page) and is as follows "The City Council of the City of Boston may if they shall deem it expedient, annually, appoint a fit person to be Harbor Master, and such Harbor Master shall be a Pilot, and shall be sworn to the faithful discharge of his duties, and shall hold his office for one year, or until he shall be removed by said City Council &c." The present

incumbent was chosen last July for one year, therefore the office is not vacant until next July unless he shall be removed by the City Council. The petitioners are therefore premature in their recommendations. It would seem to the Committee that the subject of the qualifications of applicants for office which office is to be filled by concurrence of each Branch of the City Council is not a proper matter for a Committee to consider and report upon; It is not a question between between individuals, applicants and incumbents, but the range of election extends to every qualified person, and the choice between is to be made by each member of the City Council on his individual responsibility as a member thereof. They would therefore report that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, William Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted; Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 4. 1856

A report from the City Registrar stating that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending January 31. 1856 the sum of Five hundred eighty seven dollars and thirty cents. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file. City Registrar.

A report from the City Auditor, stating that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending January 31 1856. the sum of four hundred twenty three dollars and ninety three cents, was read and sent down. In common council. Read on file. Auditor

A report from the City Clerk stating that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending January 31. 1856. the sum of four hundred dollars and eighty cents was read and sent down. In common council. Read on file. City Clerk.

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A report from the Inspector of the Northern Wards shewing that he had received for the quarter ending Dec. 31. 1855. the sum of Two hundred & fifty one dollars and twenty nine cents, which he paid into the Treasury was read and ordered down. In Common Council. Read & filed.

Annexation of Chelsea

On order & notice on petition to the Legislature by John Penno and others for the annexation of Chelsea to Boston, was read and referred to Alderman Seaman and Councilmen with such as the Common Council may join. Sent down for concurrence. Returned concurred and Messrs Otis Bigelow and Swain were joined.

Cochituate Water Board

On motion of Alderman Plummer the report of the election of a Cochituate Water Board for the year 1855. 56. was taken from the table and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that Thomas Belmer, Charles Stoddard, John N. Watkins, Joseph Smith, Jonathan Preston, John T. Dingy, and Samuel Eaton were elected in concurrence.

Lumber

The Surveyor General of Lumber presented to the Board his annual Report of Lumber surveyed in this City during the year ending Feb. 1. 1856 in which it appeared that his fees amounted to Forty one Hundred & Eight Dollars and ninety nine cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Fire Depart. Chief Engineer

The Common Council having elected Elisha Smith, jr. Chief Engineer of the Fire Department, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that said vote was said in concurrence.

The Common Council having
elected Nathaniel H. Hall, Richard H. Eaton, Frederick A. Coburn, Feb. 4. 1856.
David Chamberlain, George W. Bird, George F. Hibbard, Joseph Dunbar, Assistant
Charles A. Clark and David C. Melvin, Assistant Engineers of the Engineers
Fire Department, said action came up for concurrence - and peti- of the Fire
tions having been read from Engine Company No. 6. & 6. Hand and Department.
Company No. 1. and from Joshua Jenkins and others in favor of the
election of Jesse F. Thomas an Assistant Engineer the matter
was postponed to Monday next.

The Joint Special Committee Mayor's
who were directed to consider and report what disposition ought Address.
to be made of the several topics embraced in the Mayor's Address to
the City Council, having attended to that duty, recommend the
passage of the following orders. By the Committee Jonathan Nunn-
mer, Chairman. Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address as re-
lates to the Public Lands be referred to the Joint Standing Committee
on Public Lands - that so much of said address as relates to the Insti-
tutions at South Boston and Deer Island be referred to the Joint Stan-
ding Committee on that subject - that so much as relates to the
Finances of the City be referred to the Joint Standing Committee
on Finance that so much as relates to the Public Schools be refer-
red to the Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction - that so
much as relates to the Public Library be referred to the Joint Stan-
ding Committee on that subject - that so much as relates to
Water be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on Water.
Accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. February 9. 1856.

Ordered: That so much of the Mayor's Address.

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Mayor's Address as relates to the laying out and widening Streets be referred to the Committee on Streets_ that so much as relates to the Market be referred to the Committee on the Market_ that so much as relates to the Fire Department be referred to the Committee on the Fire Department_ that so much as relates to County Expenses be referred to the Committee on County Accounts.

Supt of Sewers.

The subject of the election of a Superintendent of Sewers was postponed to Monday next, and it was ordered that all applications for that office be referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Fire Depart Officers.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Engineers of the Fire Department the nominations of Officers of the various Engine, Hose and Hook and Ladder Companies of the City were approved by the Board.

Lunatic Hospital Trustees.

Agreeably to assignment the Board proceeded by ballot to the choice of a Board of Visitors of the Lunatic Hospital and the votes being then taken and counted it appeared that Thomas Sprague, Stephen Tillon, Jr. Julius A. Palmer, Calvin T. Hinds, Ebenezer Thomas, William K. Cutler, and William Tallman were chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 7. came up concurred.

South Free Bridge Supt

Office of Superintendent of the South Free Bridge was read and laid down_ and the ballots having been taken and counted for Superintendent of the South Free Bridge, it appeared that Amos Bailey was elected. Sent down for concurrence Feb. 7. came up concurred.

Petition of Edward T. Flowers for appointment as Superintendent of the East Feb. 4. 1856.
Boston Bridge. Read and sent down and the ballots being taken and East Boston
counted for a Superintendent of the East Boston and Chelsea Free 9 Chelsea
Bridge it appeared that Edward T. Flowers was chosen. Sent down for Free Bridge
concurrence.

The ballots having been taken North
and counted for a Superintendent of the North Free Bridge it appear- Free Bridge.
ed that Samuel Jenkins was chosen. Sent down for concurrence.
Feb. 7. Came up concurred.

The election of a Superintendent of Mt. Wash.n
the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge was postponed to Monday next. Av. Bridge.

The Committee on Streets to whom Sanford.
was referred the notice of intention to build by Samuel Sanford on
Broad Street, reported that no action is required thereon. Read and
accepted.

The Committee on Streets to whom Brackett
was referred the notice of intention to build by A. Brackett on Bristol
Place reported that no action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Streets, to whom Rich
was referred the petition of Eliz. Rich and others that Essex Street Essex Street.
be widened at the corner of South Street, reported that in their opinion
the public convenience does not require that Essex Street should be
widened as prayed for and they therefore recommend that the peti-
tioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

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Market

The Superintendent of the Market reported that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending January 31. 1850. the sum of seven hundred and fifty five dollars and fifty five cents. Read and placed on file.

Moore

On petition of Clark Moore for leave to move a wooden building from Richmond Street to Cambridge Street in accordance with the report of the Committee on Streets which leave to be granted under the direction of the Chief of Police. Accepted.

Weighers

Report of Weighers of Coal to the Board the amount of Coal weighed by them since his appointment. Read and placed on file.

Allen - Hancock.

On petitions of S. R. Allen & others that a new Road may be laid out from Northampton Street to Roxbury - and of John Hancock to be paid for land taken to lay out Blackstone Street in 1833 - the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Kidder. Sudbury Road.

On petition of Francis D. Kidder and others for a change in the name of Sudbury Road the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Liquor manufacturer

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Francis T. Carney was appointed a manufacturer of Liquor on the usual conditions.

School Committee vacancies

Official notice having been received from the School Committee that vacancies exist in their Board caused by the resignation of Enoch H. Mudge of Ward 1. and Milton P. Stone and Adam W. Thacher of Ward 6. it was

Ordered: That warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters in Wards 1 and 6 on Monday the eleventh day of February instant at twelve o'clock M. in their several Wards for the purpose of electing the following officers. In Ward 1. a member of the School Committee in place of Enoch H. Pilling, resigned. In Ward 6. two members of the School Committee in place of Milton J. Rene and Adam W. Thayer, resigned. The Polls to be kept open until four o'clock PM.

Wards 1 and 6 meetings.

The Committee on Paving &c. in compliance with the order of the fourteenth instant, would say, that the only contract which has been entered into by the Committee on Paving of last year, and not executed, is one for building a sea wall on the line of First Street between A. and B. Streets. This wall is to be built upon piles, for which no contract has yet been made. The purpose of constructing this wall is to enable First Street to be filled in and opened to public travel. The City Engineer's estimate of the cost of the wall and filling is eighty eight hundred and nine dollars. The parties who have buildings &c projecting over the line of this portion of the street have been notified to remove them in two months from last December. First Street is the marginal street of South Boston and an open highway, all but the above mentioned section from Dorchester Street to Dorchester Avenue. Your Committee are unanimous in the opinion that said First Street should be completed and that the contract be carried into effect as soon as the time expires notifying the parties to remove obstructions therefrom. Several orders were passed by the last Board of Aldermen condemnating changes upon the City Treasury &c requiring in the City paper, and for grading of Streets in South Boston and East Boston, some of which should be executed, and of the others in the present condition of the streets your Committee are

Contracts - First Street.

unable to decide as to their necessity. Therefore at the present time no action is recommended respecting the same. For the committee, Chs Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

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Minors Hawkers & Pedlers

Ordered: That no person under the age of twenty one years shall go about selling or exposing to sale, in the City of Boston, any fruits or provisions whatever, live animals, brooms, agricultural implements, fuel, wooden ware, or pamphlets, agricultural products of the United States, the products of his own labor or the labor of his own family, without license from the Mayor and Aldermen, in accordance with an Act of the Legislature of this Commonwealth, passed April 16. 1846, entitled "An Act concerning Hawkers and Pedlers". Ordered, That no minor shall be licensed except upon the application of his parent, guardian or next friend. Ordered, That no minor shall be licensed except by a special vote of this Board, unless he shall have attended school at least three months in the twelve months next preceding, in the manner provided for in an Act passed the 16th day of April, 1836, entitled "An Act for the better instruction of children in manufacturing corporations". Ordered, That all licenses shall specify the articles to be sold, and the time and place of selling them. Ordered, That any violation of the laws of the State, the Ordinances of the City, or of any special conditions inserted in the Certificate of license shall work a forfeiture of said license, the same to be recalled or [illegible] by this Board. Ordered, That all licenses granted to minors for the sale of any fruits or provisions whatever, live animals, brooms, agricultural implements, fuel, wooden ware or pamphlets, agricultural products of the United States the product of his own labor or any labor of his own family, or which licenses are by law required to be granted by this Board, shall be granted upon the following terms and conditions, which shall be

inserted in the certificate, with such other conditions and regulations 43.
as this Board may deem expedient, viz: First_ That each minor li= Feb. 11. 1856.
censed by the Board of Aldermen, shall at all times, when on the street
wear a leather badge upon his hat or cap, with the word "Licensed", in
printed letters, fastened thereon. Second_ That no minor so licensed, to
sell any articles for which he may be licensed, at any other time,
or any other place, than that mentioned in his license. Third_ That
minors so licensed shall not during the hours mentioned in their
licenses, congregate together, make any loud noise or in any other
way disturb or annoy people as they pass. 4th That all licenses grant-
ed shall be for a definite period, and all licenses which are not
for a shorter period shall terminate at the expiration of the munici=
pal year, on the first day of January in each successive year, and all
licenses which are not expressed for a shorter period, shall extend to
the close of the municipal year. Fifth_ That the violation of the laws
of the State, the Ordinances of the City, or the terms of and conditions
herein prescribed, shall operate as a forfeiture of this license, to be annulled
upon proof of the same to this Board. Sixth_ That each minor so li=
censed shall carry his license with him and present the same to any
officer of the City for inspection, when required so to do, and the same
shall not be transferred, exchanged, borrowed or lent, on pain of for-
feiture thereof.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Mayor & Aldermen held at City Hall on Friday the
eighth of Feb. 1856. Present the Mayor and the Aldermen except Aldermen Fearsley and Redman

Twenty Twelve Jurors were drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court. Jurors

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

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At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Eleventh
day of February Anno Domini 1850.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Police Officer

On nomination by the Mayor,
Thomas Swadkins was appointed a Special Police at Blake's Court.

Huntington

Petition of Ralph Huntington to be
paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Suffolk Street.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Kendall
Slack
Ferries

Petition of D. Y. Kendall and two
hundred and sixty four others of J. R. Slack and eighty two others, that
the existing rates of tolls for the East Boston Ferries be not increased. Re-
ferred to the special Committee on that subject.

Bennett
Internal
Health.

Petition of Patrick Bennett & others,
operatives in the Internal Health Department for an increase of wages.
Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Shaw

Petition of Jesse Shaw to be paid for
land taken from him in widening West Cedar Street. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Streets.

Springfield

Petition of Nathaniel Springfield
that the City would construct a new wall for his house in North Grove
Street, as compensation for damages occasioned by the widening of
said street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

An order of notice on the petition to the Legislature by the Georgetown Ferry Road Corporation for a change in their Charter was referred to Aldermen Plummer, Cheever and Dingley. | 15. Feb. 11 1856 Dor. Ferry Co.

On petition of James Hunt & al. prayer for leave to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Varieties, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. | Hunt et al.

Leave was granted to R.G. Forbes to give Concerts at No 14 Howard Street. | Forbes.

Whereas John N. Dix has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Tremont and Boylston Streets, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said streets should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Thos. N. Dix that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the eighteenth day of March current at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. | Dix Tremont & Boylston Sts.

Ordered, That there be paid to John E. Torrey the sum of One hundred and fifty Seven Dollars to and taken to widen Federal Street, in the year 1855. upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Passed by the Mayor Feb. 12. 1856 | Torrey.

Ordered: That there be paid to C. &

Feb. 11. 1856 — J. Parkman the sum of Three thousand and twelve dollars for land

Parkman — taken to widen Green Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, February 12. 1856.

Westcott — On petition of J. K. Westcott for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at No 12 Howard Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Company H. Armory — Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Armories, the location of the Armory of Company H. 1st Regiment of Infantry at 33 School Street was approved by the Board.

Hogan — On petition of Dennis F. Hogan, late commander of the Fairfield Guards that the City would pay the rent of the Armory lately occupied by said Company, the Committee on Armories reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Aymer & Co. — On petition of Aymer & Co. for use of the Public Garden in July next, the Committee on the Common reported that the use of such portion of the Public Garden as said Committee shall here after determine be granted the petitioners upon their paying to the City Collector for the use thereof the sum of Two Hundred dollars. Accepted

Perkins — On petition of [illegible] for use of the Public Garden in [illegible] the Committee on the Common reported that the use of such portion of the Public Garden as said Committee

had recalled designated be granted the petitioner provided he pay to the Chief of Police for the use thereof the sum of seven hundred dollars. Accepted. | Feb 11 1856

The Committee on Licenses being satisfied with the character of the following named persons recommend that they be licensed as Pedlers in this City subject to the usual regulations. Jeremiah Cronin John Carr, John Desmond, Cornelius Donovan John Donnahey, Daniel Flanigan Thomas Fegan, Michael Hudson, Michael Hart Jr. Michael Kerrigan, Michael Leary, Thomas Lavin, John Lombard Jr. Dennis Lahiney, John Manly, Jeremiah Madden, Bartholomew Murphy, John Mc Gann, William M Dennith, John Mahoney Thomas O Connor, John O Brien, Cornelius Regan, Charles H. Wilden, Richard Haley, Peter Leary Timothy Haley. For the Committee, Timothy O Keefe Chairman. Was received. | Minors.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department the Licenses were granted to E & G.G. Kenshaw 76 Coffin & Kennison and Newell, Willard 76. | Camphene.

A communication was received from Julius A Palmer declining the office of Visiter of the Seven Lunatic Hospital. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 14 Came up concurred. | Lunatic Hospital.

Monday next was assigned for choice of a Physician for Mr Palmer. | Lun. Hospital.

The report of the Port Physician shewing that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending Dec 31. 1855. the sum of two hundred and fifty two dollars was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. | Port Physician.

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Ordered: That Messrs Buckingham and Sanders with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to consider and report what salaries shall be paid the city and County Officers for the ensuing financial year, and that said Committee be authorized to report in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Meriam and Plummer were joined. Approved by the Mayor, February 12. 1856.

City Fire Insurance Order.

Ordered: That a Committee of five be appointed with such as may be the Board of Aldermen may join to consider the expediency of the City procuring such Fire Insurance as may be obtained upon the property of the City, and make Report thereon to the City Council. Passed in Common Council and Mayor Nash, Bardwell, Parker, Wilson and Otis were appointed on said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Plummer, Dingley, and Bearsley were joined. Approved by the Mayor, February 12. 1856.

Nickerson- Old Colony Rail Road.

Orders of notice on petitions to the Legislature of Edward S. Nickerson and the Old Colony Rail Road Company for leave to extend their wharves were referred to the Committee on the Harbor in concurrence.

Appropriations

A communication from the Auditor stating that additions are needed to the appropriations for Paving, Incidentals, and Steamer Henry Morrison was referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

East Boston & Chelsea Free Bridge.

The Common Council having elected David A. C. Low as Superintendent of the East Boston and Chelsea Free Bridge, thereby non-concurring with that Board in the choice of Edward F. Stowers, said action came up for concurrence and the ballots [illegible]

been again taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared | 19.
that Edward T. Bowers was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Feby 14th | Feb. 11. 1856.
Came up concurred.

The Committee on laying out and | Goldsmith.
widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of George T. Goldsmith
in compensation for land which he alleges the City have taken possession
of at the corner of East Cedar and Eleven Streets, report that on exam-
ining the matter they find the claim grows out of a purchase of land
for a site for a school house, and they therefore recommend it be refer-
red to the Committee on Public Buildings. For the Committee. J. T. Tingley,
Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 14. Came
up concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on | Harbor
the Harbor be requested to consider and report whether the office of | Master's
Harbor Master cannot be abolished without detriment to the interest of | office.
the City; and the duties at present connected with it be performed by
the Harbor Police. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 12. 1856.

Ordered: That the Committee on the | South Bay
South Bay Lands have further time to make their report. Passed in | Lands.
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approv
ed by the Mayor, Feb. 12. 1856.

The Joint Standing Committee on | Pratt
Claims to whom was referred the petition of Daniel C. Pratt. That the suit
brought by the City against him may be discontinued, respectfully re
port that they have conferred with the petitioner, and after considerable
conversation with him and an examination into the facts of the case,
the Committee are satisfied that they can settle the case with Mr. Pratt

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on terms that will be fair and equitable, provided full powers are granted to them for that purpose. They therefore respectfully recommend that the petition may be recommitted to them with full powers. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. In Common Council. Read, accepted and recommitted accordingly. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 12. 1856.

Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the election of Assistant Engineers of the Fire Department — and petition from Engine Company No. 5, Willard A. Hall and others — A remonstrance and objections thereto from Henry Robbins, Edward Reed and others, that George S. Thom may be elected an Engineer — and petition of B. F. Bayley and others that George F. Hibbard may be elected an Engineer, having been read, and the Board having thereupon proceeded to an election it appeared that Nathaniel W. Piatt, Richard S. Austin, Frederick A. Colburn, David Chamberlin, George W. Bird, George F. Hibbard, Joseph Dunbar, Charles L. Clark, and David C. Melcon were chosen in concurrence.

Alt: Washn Av: Bridge.

Agreeably to assignment the Board proceeded to the choice of a Superintendent of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge, and petitions having been read in favor of the appointment of James H. Gallweday, Stephen F. Springer, Amos Stickney, and John L. Parker to that office — and the ballots having been taken and counted, it appeared that James H. Gallweday Jr. was elected. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 14. Came up concurred.

Shuckford — Ivy.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred the petitions of Wm. Shuckford and others and of James A. Kelly and others that a new street be laid out at East Boston parallel with

Prescott Street, report that it is not expedient at present to lay out the proposed street and they recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. 51. Feb. 11. 1856.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of J. C. Heckell and others for the continuation of Auburn Street through to Harrell Street reported that the safety and convenience of the public do not require the proposed continuation at the present time at least, and that therefore the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Heckell Auburn Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of William Brigham and others for the widening of Washington Street on the westerly side near Union Park, reported that having examined the subject they consider it unnecessary to take any action in the premises and that therefore the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Brigham. Washington Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of Isaac Jacobs and others of Wm. F. Clarke and others of J. G. Rider and others, and of J. Skinner and others that Albion Street may be extended to the Boston line reported that the safety and convenience of the inhabitants do not require said extension and they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Jacobs et als Rider Skinner Albion Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of Calvin Damon and others praying that Linden Street near Pleasant Street may be widened reported that they had examined said street, and if the petitioners or others will give the land which may be necessary to carry out the proposed plan of widening without charge or expense to the City, that, then, it would be for the interest and the duty of the City to accept the same and keep it in repair Damon. Linden Street

as a public street. Read and accepted.

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Sea Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the order of September 25. 1854. respecting the expediency of widening Sea Street between Summer and East Streets, reported that after a consideration of the subject, they are of opinion that the proposed widening is not required at the present time, and they ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same. Read and accepted.

South Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the order of September 25. 1854. respecting the expediency of widening South Street at the station of the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road, report that there is no cause for further action in the premises, and they therefore ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. Read and accepted.

Shawmut Street.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the order instructing the Committee to consider the expediency of laying out Shawmut Street as a public highway, reported that it is unnecessary to lay out the same and that therefore no action in the premises is required. Read and accepted.

Sanford.

Congress Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the communication of Samuel Sanford respecting damage done to his property in Atkinson Street (now Congress Street) reported that Mr Sanford was duly notified in the year 1854. that he would be heard by the Committee on that subject, and as his rights have been fully considered for two years the Committee are of opinion that no further consideration is due to the communication. Read & accepted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of George G. Thacher and others that a street may be opened from Sea Street to South Street, reported, that it is inexpedient to lay out the street as prayed for. Read and accepted. Feb. 11, 1856. Thacher.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the notice of intention to build by Isaac Cunningham on corner of Federal and Milk Streets, reported, that it is inexpedient to take any action thereon at the present time. Read and accepted Cunningham Federal Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the notice of intention to build by John Thomas on Myrtle Street, reported that no action is necessary thereon at the present time. Read and accepted. Thomas Myrtle Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the order of January 7, 1856, respecting the expediency of continuing Summer Street to the Commissioners line, reported that the public safety and convenience not requiring the same they deem the measure inexpedient. Read and accepted. Summer Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the order of May 10, 1855 respecting the expediency of continuing Chardon Street to Market Street, reported that the measure proposed is not actually necessary and that therefore no action is required thereon. Read and accepted. Chardon Street.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock. P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Fourteenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Godman.

His Honor the Mayor in some appropriate remarks announced to the Board the death of Honorable Benjamin Seaver formerly Mayor of this City.

Seaver death of. Resolves on.

Whereupon, Alderman Dingley submitted to the Board the following order. Ordered, That the City Council have been informed of the decease of the Hon. Benjamin Seaver, formerly one of our highly distinguished citizens, and late Mayor of this city. Resolved, That we deeply lament this melancholy event as a public loss. Resolved, That we sympathize with the bereaved family and friends of the deceased: and that in token of our respect for his memory the City Council will attend his funeral at the time that may be appointed therefor. Resolved, That the City Clerk cause the preceding resolutions to be transmitted to the family of the deceased and published in the several newspapers of the City. Read and unanimously adopted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 15. 1856.

The Board then adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Eighteenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Thirty two Traverse Jurors drawn for the Superior Court. — Jurors

On nomination by the Mayor, Edward Hennessy was appointed an Auctioneer at Niles' Block. — Auctioneer

On nomination by the Mayor, C. P. Bucker was appointed a Special Police Officer for conveyance of prisoners to and from the various Station Houses. — Special Police

Petition of Henry Beal to be paid for land taken to extend Friend Street of William H. Mann to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street near Common Street of Heirs of George Parkman to be paid for land taken to widen North Grove Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Beal. Mann. Parkman.

Petition of Moses Pierce for increase of compensation for keeping horses for use of the Fire Department. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. — Pierce.

Petition of William B. Dodge and others for additional Bridge accommodations to South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Bridges. — Dodge.

Petition of John Nunan to be paid for damages sustained by Sewer if made in Fifth Street of — Nunan. Erskine.

36. Feb. 18. 1856. | J. K. Erskine and others to be paid for damage occasioned by change of grade in Meridian Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Potter. City Hall. | Petition of Potter and Demmon and others that City Hall may be numbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Morgan | Petition of Sarah Morgan's asks that an assessment on them for a sidewalk in Second Street may be vacated. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Superior Court | Petition of the Justices of the Superior Court for a room in which to hold an additional session at the March term. Referred to the Committee on Public Building on the part of this Board.

Dix. Fremont & others | Agreeably to notice John N. Dix appeared by his Attorney, F. E. Parker, Esq and objected to the proposed widening of Bowdoin and Fremont Streets by taking a portion of his land: whereupon the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Taylor | , agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, W. G. Taylor was allowed to give Sparring Exhibitions at the Howard Athenaeum Feb. 18. 19. 20

Tuckerman. Dock Square | Agreeably to notice Lyman Nichols appeared for the heirs of Edward Tuckerman and objected to the proposed widening of Dock Square and Washington Street by taking their land: whereupon the further consideration of the subject was postponed to the next meeting of the Board.

Ordered: That Aldermen Bon-
ney and Glover be a committee to report the names of suitable persons for the offices of Fence Viewers, Pound Keepers &c. for the ensuing year. Fl. 16. No. 6. Fence Viewers

A lease of a portion of the Hall over Faneuil Hall Market between the rooms occupied by the National Guards and the Washington Light Infantry & the Mercantile Charitable Mechanic Association for three years from April 1 1856 at an annual rent of six thousand dollars was approved by the Board. Lease

Agreeably to the report of the committee on Licenses leave was granted to James A. Garland, Tim Ryan, Thomas Sullivan, Tim Nolan, Henry Ingalls, James Fitzgerald, Laurence Cotrill, Patrick Courtin, Timothy Laliher, & Ale papers &c. Minors.

A claim of Henry N. Hooper against the City for use of locks at Deer Island which were patented by him was referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Hooper

Petition of David Patterson for leave to surrender a bond of land in Northampton Street on certain conditions. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Patterson

Petition of the Town of Framingham upon the City rendered in the Action in that town occasioned by alleged neglect of the said City. Referred to the Legislative Committee. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Framingham

Feb. 18. 1856. Lunatic Hospital

The ballots having been taken and counted for a member of the Board of Visitors of the Lunatic Hospital in place of Julius A. Palmer, resigned, it appeared that Benn a commen was chosen, Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. came up concurred.

Faneuil Hall Stores.

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Building consider and report on the expediency of altering the stores under Faneuil Hall so that said premises may be used for Market purposes. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, February 23. 1856.

Jurors.

Ordered: That the City Clerk be directed to post up the List of Jurors for the County of Suffolk in two public places in this city, and that said list be Brought be voted by this Board pursuant to law. Approved by the Mayor Feby 19. 1856.

Whiting.

Ordered: That there be paid to Nath[illegible] Whiting the sum of Fifty six hundred fifteen and 700 Dollars in full taken by him for the Estate used upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages sustained or incurred to this date in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 19. 1856.

Higginson

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the proposal of Waldo Higginson offering to the City a Plan of the said City, having examined said plan and deeming the same valuable to the City recommend the passage of the accompanying order for the same. For the Committee. J. T. Dingley, Chairman. Ordered

That there be paid to Waldo Higginson the sum of One hundred dollars for a certain piece of the city of Boston made by him upon land belonging to the city and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Accepted and the order passed. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 19. 1856. 59. Feb. 18. 1856

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order in relation to economy in the various departments of the public service passed Feb. 4. 1856. having considered the matter report that the subject matter of the order requires a remedy by ordinance but should be reached by an amendment to the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council. For the Committee, Jarvis Putnam, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 23. 1856. Economy in expenditures.

The Joint Standing Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island to whom was referred so much of the Mayors address as relates to the subject of their Institutions report that inasmuch as there is a Special Committee having the subject before them and nearly ready to report, this Committee asks to be discharged from further consideration of the subject, recommending the reference of the order to said Committee. For the Committee Timothy C. Kendall, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. February 23. 1856. Institutions.

Ordered: That the bells of the several churches be rung for half an hour and a national salute be fired at sunrise, noon and sunset on the 22d instant Washingtons Birthday! the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Sent down for con- Washingtons birthday.

currence. Feb. 21. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb-

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ruary 22. 1856.

Stevens

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Thos. Stevens for a hearing in relation to the use of room in Faneuil Hall, Report: That the Committee have given the parties in interest a hearing with counsel and find that the City have no room to lease at present and recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. Geo. W. Torrey. Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. came up concurred.

Harbor encroachments.

The Joint Standing Committee on Boston Harbor to whom was referred the order of Jan 31. 1856. relative to the protection of the Harbor, and improvement thereof, submit the following report in part. Since the passage of the order, above mentioned, your Committee have received a communication from the Board of Trade inviting the co-operation of the City Council with the Boston Marine Society in abolishing all further encroachments upon the Harbor by any legislative acts, and pressing upon the Legislature the importance of withholding all action at present in matters concerning the Harbor, to the end that the Government at Washington will appoint a Scientific Commission to examine the Boston Harbor, and report upon its condition. In advance of the action of the City Council, your Committee have instructed their Chairman to attend the meetings of said Committee having matters connected with this subject in charge, with the City Solicitor, and their assistance if he should deem it necessary, for the protection of the interests of the City and the preservation of the Harbor. The Governor in his annual message to the General Court, in view of the conflicting opinions entertained in relation to the act upon

the Harbor, its channels and roadsteads, which would result from encroachments upon its borders, by depositing earth and gravel, and substituting solid structures for the contemplation of private enterprise under legislative authority, obtained, as sought to be obtained. Thereupon recommended an application to the Federal Government for the appointment of a Board of Commissioners composed of scientific, practical and disinterested men, who unbiased by any existing interest would examine the whole subject solely as it regards the public welfare and convenience. Your Committee are unanimously of the opinion that such a commission is necessary and expedient and in view of the great interests which the United States have in the matter, in common with the Commonwealth, and the City of Boston, they have no doubt that the application will meet with a prompt and favorable response. Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following resolutions. For the Committee, William Parry, Chairman. Resolved: That the City Council view with approbation the recommendation of his Excellency the Governor in his last annual message, in favor of the application to the Federal Government for the appointment by Congress of a Board of Commissioners of scientific and practical men, with suitable powers to examine the outer and inner Harbor, the channels, and roadsteads thereof, and report a system of operations and measures to be adopted and pursued in their preservation and improvement. Resolved: That the Committee on the Harbor with the Solicitor for the City, in view of the consummation of the measures suggested in the foregoing resolution, be authorized and instructed to appear before any committee of the Legislature having under consideration any measures affecting the Harbor of Boston, and to co-operate with the Legislature, the Board of Trade the Boston Marine Society, and all others in favor of the application for the

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appointment of the Commission before named_ and also to oppose all further encroachments upon the Harbor, until such Commission shall have been appointed and shall have reported upon the subject. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Feb. 23. 1856.

Peoples Ferry Co.

Petition of the Peoples Ferry Company for permission to continue in keeping the Slips open and free from ice with their boats. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred.

Lumber Surveyor General.

The Common Council having elected Geo. W. Gram as Surveyor General of Lumber: and action came up for concurrence_ a petition from George Gage for appointment to that office having been read, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that George W. Gram was elected in concurrence.

Fowler Harbor Master.

Petition of William C. Fowler & other Pilots that Geo. W. Fowler be retained as Harbor Master_ of James F. Rhue and other members of the Pilot Laving Society and Capt Samuel Cook may be appointed Harbor Master. Came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Streets Superintendent

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Streets it appeared that Alfred Turner was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 21. Came up concurred.

Lamb.

Petition of Thomas Lamb and others, that William C. Appleton may be appointed Superintendent of Streets came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

The Common Council having | Dec. 18. 1850
committed to the Committee on the Harbor the report concerning the | Harbor
expediency of electing a Harbor Master which was accepted in this | Master.
Board Thursday 4th. said action came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred.

Ordered: That Messrs Prescott, | Taxes
Hatch and Parkman with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, | assessment of
be a Committee to consider and report on the expediency of providing for
the assessment of all taxes; including water rates, upon the real and
personal estate, assessed in the City, & that the citizens may be sup-
plied with water free. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and laid on the table.

Agreeably to assignment the Board | Sewers-
took up the subject of an election of a Superintendent of Sewers and the | superintendent
Chairman of the Committee on Sewers having submitted to the Board
the petitions of Lewis Aiken, William C. Appleton William Adams, Andrew
Abbot E. G. Binney, Omar Binney, N. A. Chamberlin Tyson C. Clark
Charles H. Dennie, Louis Dennis, Nicolas Evans, Lemuel Fakerman,
Thomas Moulton, Hiram Simmons, Simeon B Smith, Samuel Sprig,
Ralph Underwood Charles A. Wells, and Ebn Winslow asking for
appointment to said office, they were read and sent down and the
ballots having been taken and counted for said office it appeared
that Simeon B. Smith was chosen. Sent down for concurrence, Read. 2d.
Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee | Smith,
on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Messrs Hend | Hendrick
rick, Smith and Evans, asking that the City would deed to them the | Evans
land purchased May 1st 1835, and receive a mortgage on one of the
houses erected on one of the lots, for the amount due to the City, have

64. duly considered the same and would recommend the passage of
Feb. 18. 1856. the following order. For the Committee, Samuel Hatch. Ordered:
That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and instructed
to execute and deliver Messrs Kendrick, Smith and Towne, or their
assigns a warranty deed of land purchased by them on Fremont
Street, upon their surrendering to the City the agreement of sale
for said land, and upon their executing and delivering to the City
a mortgage deed for four and a half years from Feb 1st 1856. upon lots
as per plan of Fremont Street lots - with the buildings thereon, with
interest payable annually for the amount of four thousand dol-
lars and the balance due on said bond to be paid in cash, toget-
er with a policy of insurance for the full amount and for the full
term of said mortgage, the policy to be satisfactory to the Mayor
also the mortgage note to be endorsed by said Kendrick, Smith, and
Towne, and they to exhibit satisfactory proof that there is no lien or
claim of any nature whatever existing upon said lot or building
thereon. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. - Approved by the Mayor, February 21. 1856.

Currier Ordered: That the City Treasurer
be and he is hereby instructed to refund to George H Currier the sum
of One hundred twenty six dollars and seventy two cents the same
being the twenty per cent of the purchase money to which he
is entitled for having erected and completed a dwelling house on
lot numbered forty seven as per plan of lots on Fremont Street
May 1st 1855. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. - Approved by the Mayor. February 19 1856.

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Fuel inquire into the propriety, the expediency, and ability of the purchase by the City of first hands and at tide water of its own consumption and manufacture use, from ten to fifty thousand tons of coal for the ensuing financial year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. February 19. 1856.

Fuel

Coal

Approved

Purchase of

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at ten o'Clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Nineteenth day of February, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

The subject of the proposed widening of Cook Square and Washington Street by taking land of Edward Tuckerman's heirs was taken up and after hearing the objections of Dr. Elijah Mason and William Ames, Esq. against said measure, the subject was recommitted to the committee on Streets with instructions to report to the Board estimates of the value of

Tuckerman

Cook Square

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Washington Street forty six feet wide and fifty feet wide at the point in question.

Boylston & Tremont Sts.

On motion of Alderman Bonney the Board reconsidered its vote of yesterday whereby the subject of widening Boylston and Tremont Streets at their junction was referred to the Committee on Streets with full power and said subject was committed to said Committee with instructions to report an estimate of the expense of widening.

Coffin

Petition of William E. Coffin and others that the licenses issued to Junk dealers may contain certain provisions respecting the purchasing of Pig Iron. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

City Officers

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order relative to the election of City Officers reported an Ordinance, whereby all City Officers required by the City Ordinances to be elected or appointed by the concurrent vote of the City Council or to be appointed by the Mayor by and with the advice and consent of the Board of Aldermen, should be appointed or elected (with the exception of the Treasurer, Auditor & Assessors) on the first Monday of January in each year or within sixty days thereafter. Also they reported another Ordinance whereby the election of the Cochituate Water Board should take place on the first Monday in January or within sixty days thereafter. Said bill on the table and ordered to be printed.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fifth day of February, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Six Jurors drawn for the Justices' Court. | Jurors.

Petition of Fairbanks and Duffy for leave to give theatrical entertainments at the Howard Athenæum — of Patrick Brannigan for leave to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Theatre. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. | Fairbanks. Brannigan.

An order of notice on petition to the Legislature by the Malden Horse Rail Road Company for leave to lay down a track in this City. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Malden Rail road.

Petition of Edwin Tilden to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in Shawmut Street — of John Kenney to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in Fifth Street — of Patrick Dunn to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in Tuxedo Street. Referred to the Committee on Laying | Tilden Kenney Dunn.

Petition of Engine Company No 11. for a room wherein to hold company meetings. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. | Engine Co. No 11.

Remonstrance of Nathan Matthews against the petition of the citizens of East Boston asking aid for the Ferries. Referred to the Special Committee on that subject. | Matthews.

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Prescott.

Petition of William H. Prescott for abatement of a tax assessed upon him as administrator of E. G. Prescott: referred to the Committee on the Assessors Department, Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

Woodward.

Petition of William B. Woodward and others for use of Faneuil Hall, February 28th for a social levee for the benefit of the Poor. Referred to the committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Whittier Peabody Foster Street.

Petition of Seth Whittier, George Peabody and others severally for compensation for damages sustained by them from the discontinuance of Foster Street Slip. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Peabody Foster Street.

Petition of George Peabody and others that the City would lay out Foster Street below Commercial Street as a public highway. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Purdy Foster Street.

Petition of George Peabody and others to the Supreme Judicial Court and order of notice thereon respecting the subject of the recent discontinuance of Foster Street Slip, referred to the Committee on Streets.

Boston Prov. Ass.

Memorial of the Boston Provident Association respecting the want of accommodations for the respectable poor of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Institutions at South Boston and Deer Island. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

Overseers of the Poor.

Petition of the Overseers of the Poor for an additional appropriation. Referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

Ordered: That eight hours service | 69.
shall constitute a days work for Per Diem and Assistant Firemen | Feb. 25. 1856.
while engaged in Steed duty and six hours service a day work while | Eight hours
attending to other duties in their office. Passed in Common Council. | day work.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor
February 26. 1856.

Ordered: That the salary of Henry | Hart
Hart late Secretary of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department be
continued and paid to the end of the present quarter. Sent down for
concurrence. Feb 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Feb-
ruary 29. 1856.

The Common Council having elected | Health-
Joseph Colburn as Superintendent of Health, said action came up for | Supt. of-
concurrence, and petitions having been read from Edward Riddle-
& M. Dyer and others, E. Bowen and others in favor of the appoint
ment of Ezra Forristall to said office - of E. Damon and others in favor
of the appointment of Simeon Ha- of Samuel Cushing and others in favor
of the appointment of Alvah Trull to said office - of Freddis Drake and
others - of William H. Thacher and others - Abram Simonds and others in
favor of Joseph Colburn - and the ballots having been taken & counted
it appeared that Ezra Forristall was elected; this Board thereby non-
curring with the Common Council in the choice of said Colburn. Sent
down for concurrence.

Resolved, That the safety and con- | Dix-
venience of the Inhabitants of the city require that Tremont Street | Tremont
should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and | Street.
appropriate as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land
belonging to Wm H. Dix - bounded as follows, viz: Northwardly by the
proposed line of widening of Tremont Street there measuring one

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Jr hundred and thirty five rd and 75/100 Southwardly by Jremont Street eight feet and 56/100; Westwardly by the present line of Jremont Street, one hundred and thirty seven feet, and Southwardly by other land of the said Dix, eleven feet and 44/100; containing one thousand three hundred and ninety eight square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by Moses Soule, City engineer, dated February 15th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Jremont Street, as aforesaid, will amount to eighty three hundred and eighty eight dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street during the present municipal year does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 20 Came up concurred. Signed by the Mayor March 22d 1856

Griffin. The Committee on Licenses to whom was referred the petition of William J. Griffin and others respecting a change of conditions in the Licenses of Junk Dealers, respectfully report that the change contemplated by the petitioners must be sanctioned by ordinance, they therefore recommend a reference of the subject to the Committee on Ordinances. For the Committee, J. C. Pendleton, Chairman Read and accepted, and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

Read & [illegible]
[illegible] Jremont Street. [illegible]

ress and recommend the adoption of the following order. For the Committee, Jesse B. Merriam. Ordered: That the Mayor be requested to petition the Legislature for an Act which shall release the City of Boston from any charge or expense on account of the Court of Common Pleas in this Commonwealth. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 26. 1856 | 71. Feb. 25. 1856.

Order of notice on petition to the Legislature by Daniel Gugin to have to amend his charter. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor in concurrence. | Gugin

Order of notice on petition to the Legislature by John H. Pearson for a new Avenue in East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor in concurrence. | Pearson East Boston Avenue.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance Twenty thousand dollars and that the same be added to the appropriation for Paving and Repairs of Streets. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 44. Nays, none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Balch, Cheever, Codman, Dingley, Erickson, Kendall, Merriam, Plummer, Rich, Torrey. 12. Nay. none. Approved by the Mayor, February 26. 1856. | Loan. Paving.

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of Appropriations, viz: add to Incidental Expenses nineteen hundred fifty two dollars and fifty cents by transfer from the appropriation for the State Tax of 1855. Add to Steamer Henry Morrison six hundred dollars by transfer | Appropriations transfers Incidentals Henry Morrison

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from Extra Ward. Read in Common Council. Yeas 44. Nays none.

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came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, Yeas, Aldermen Penney, Fowler, Abbot, Chase, Coleman, Tingley, Dickson, Kendall, Merriam, Plummer 10. Yeas 12. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor Feb. 26. 1856.

City Officers Ordinance.

On motion of Alderman Plummer the Ordinance entitled an Ordinance in relation to City Officers, as printed in City Document No 12. was taken from the table and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Cochituate Water Board Ordinance

The Ordinance in relation to Water, whereby the Cochituate Water Board is hereafter to be elected on the first Monday in January & sixty days thereafter, was taken from the table and was passed. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1856.

Fence Viewers &c.

The Committee charged with the duty of nominating candidates for certain Offices, have attended to the duty and recommend the appointment of the following persons to the several offices designated. For the Committee, P. Penney. Inspectors of Lime Andrew Abbot, Joel Wheeler. Fence Viewers William P. Houston, Martin H. Gay. Cullers of Dry Fish. Nehemiah P. Manning, Moses Miller. Cullers of Hoops and Staves. Benjamin Abbot, Lewis Bach. Hay Masters Samuel F. Gould. Field Drivers and Pound Keepers Samuel Turner, Wells W. Tower, Thomas Johnson. Read, accepted and the said persons were appointed accordingly. Sent down for concurrence Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

Blake.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Lyman Blake to be paid for his services respecting the cleaning of lots for interments and

respectfully report, that they can find no foundation for any just claim against the City, in the facts stated in the within petition, and they therefore respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of William Potter to be paid for expenses sustained in consequence of his son's slipping upon the ice in Silver Street, beg leave to report, that in their opinion the City is not liable for the damages alleged to have been sustained, and they respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred

Potter.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of the Glendon Rolling Mill for abatement of their tax having considered the subject report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Emyn Beaseley, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28, Came up concurred.

Glendon Rolling Mill

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Amos L. Johnson to be compensated for injuries received by his wife by stepping into a coal hole in Washington Street, have considered the subject, and beg leave to Report: That from the statement of the petitioner himself, it appears that while a man with a shovel was getting in coal through a coal hole in the sidewalk in front of the store of Hugh Doherty & Co on Wash-

Johnson

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ington Street, and while the coal hole was covered by the coal, Mrs Brown who was taking down the steel, stepped on the coal hole, and her foot passed through it, down into the hole, in consequence of which she was injured. The Committee are clearly of the opinion, that neither the City of Boston, nor any person besides the Lady herself, was guilty of any negligence in the matter and that the City is not liable for the damage. They therefore respectfully recommend, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Amos Blanchard, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Feb. 28. Came up concurred.

Independence

Ordered; That Messrs Hatch, Pond, Parker, Swibank, Dresser, Gilbert, and Rhodes with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make suitable arrangements to celebrate the approaching anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence and that the expense thereof be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims and that no part of the appropriation be expended for ardent spirits. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Rich, Plummer, Bevan and Davis were joined. Approved by the Mayor, Feb. 26. 1856.

Tuant Officers

On nomination by the Mayor, Nathaniel Davis, William F. Reed and John G. Fuller were appointed Tuant Officers for the ensuing year.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Joseph Parks, Edward J. Newhall, and John Hurley were appointed Police Officers, the latter for special service at the City Hall.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, J. H. McKinney was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Theatre

Neil Read Station and Jno. A. Ingalls a Special Police Officer at
No. 374. Commercial Street.

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The report of the Inspectors of Prisons on the condition of the Inmates of the House of Industry and Correction, the Jail and the Lunatic Hospital for the six months ending December 31. 1855. was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Inspectors of Prisons

The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board report for the information of this Board, that there are thirty cells now completed under the Court House and ready for occupancy in a few days. they therefore recommend the adoption of the following order. To the Committee, Geo. W. Torrey, Chairman. Ordered That the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board be directed to furnish the necessary furniture for the cells under the Court House the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the County of Suffolk. Read, accepted and the order passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1856.

Court House cells.

The Common Council having elected Samuel Cook as Harbor Master, said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Harbor Master.

The Bond of Alfred T. Turner, Superintendent of Streets was read and approved by the Board.

Supt of Streets.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses Mark Lyons, Michael O'Brien, Herman Finnegan, Jeremiah Cashman, Peter Nash, Timothy Daley, Michael Jennings, William Davis, David Statham, Edward Kiernan, Michael Gardiner,

Minors licensed

Mo. Michael Reynolds, were licensed (being minors) to sell papers &c.

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Leases approved.

A lease of rooms No 8 in the old State House to Lorenzo Burge for three years from April 1. 1856, at a rent of six hundred dollars per annum_ also a lease of room number nine in the same building to Fred S Hastings for the same period at an annual rent of five hundred and fifty dollars, were approved by the Board.

Boston Gas Light Co

The Committee on Lamps to whom was referred the claim of the Boston Gas Light Company for cutting out burners amounting to four hundred seventy six dollars and twenty five cents, reported, that upon a consideration of the same it was found to be a just and true account and they had accordingly allowed the same. Read and accepted.

Edwards

The Committee on the Jail, to whom was referred the petition of Edwards, Keenald and Kenniston for allowance of their bill for work done on Suffolk County Jail, amounting to fifty two dollars and eighty five cents, reported that the same is correct and they accordingly had approved the same. Read and accepted.

Washington Street_ Tuckerman

The Committee on Streets, who were directed to report to the Board estimates for widening Washington Street at its intersection with Dock Square at a proposed width at said point of fifty feet and width of forty six feet, submitted to the Board the following Report_ viz: Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the city require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land bein-

ing to the heirs of Tuckerman, containing ... and ten square feet of land. The line of widening of Washington Street ... wide at this place. And whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hyde, City Engineer dated February 25th 1856 and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Washington Street as aforesaid, will amount to Twenty thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars The Yeas and Nays having been demanded on the passage of the above order they were taken as follows, Yeas Alderman Kenney-1. Nays Aldermen Bowles, Gaines, Greene, Goodman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Merriam, Plummer, Rich, Storey-11. So said order was rejected.

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Washington Street Tuckerman.

The said Committee then submitted the following order viz: Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Edward Tuckerman bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Washington Street there measuring thirty four feet and 7/10 northwesterly by land hereinafter described as taken from Edward Tuckerman eight feet and 36/100 and southwesterly by the present line of Washington Street thirty three feet and 8/10; containing One

78. hundred and fifty one square feet and 18/100 more or less. Also a parcel
Feb. 25. 1856. of land belonging to Edward Tuckerman bounded as follows viz: North-
westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Washington Street three
rods and sixty nine feet and Northeastwardly by Lock Square, sixteen
feet & Southwardly by the present line of Washington Street thirty eight
feet and 50/100 and Westwardly by land above described as taken from E.
Tuckerman eight rod and 36/100 containing four hundred and seventy one
square rod and 18/100 more or less. This line of widening will make Wash-
ington Street forty six feet wide at this place. And Whereas, due notice
has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels
of land for the purpose aforesaid as appears by the return hereunto an-
nexed It is therefore Ordered That the parcels of land herein described be
and the same hereby are, taken and laid out as a public street or way
of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by
James Hall, City Engineer dated February 25. 1856. and deposited in
the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge
that the expense of widening the said Washington Street, as aforesaid,
will amount to Twelve thousand dollars: which sum together with
the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in
said street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of
five thousand dollars. Read and the resolve and order passed. Yeas,
Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Wilcox, Goldman, Gingley, Jackson, Kendall,
Freeman & Hayes. Nuisance Greene, Merriam, Rich, Young. 4. And
sent down for concurrence. April 24. came up concurred. Waived by the Mayor. Feb 26. 1856

Morgan. The Committee on Paving to whom
was referred the petition of the heirs of Sarah Morgan for abatement
of an assessment for a sidewalk in Second Street reported that said
assessment of thirteen dollars and fifty cents has been abated on account
of the inability of the parties to pay the same. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the third day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Petition of the Winnisimmet Company for removal of the sewer which empties into their dock. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Winnisimmet Company

Petition of Daniel Tiffany to be paid for construction of a sewer in Eutaw Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Tiffany

Petition of the Easton Boston Gas Company that the price of Gas for the Street Lamps at East Boston may be increased. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. — East Boston Gas Co.

Petition of James L. Tralle & others for use of Faneuil Hall, March 11, 1856, wherein to hold a Levee for the benefit of the National Aid Society. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. — Tralle

Petition of Charles F. Hunt to be paid for damage done to his horse in Eliot Street by the unloading of a load of lumber occasioned by the bad state of the Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Hunt.

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Howe

Petition of Samuel G. Howe, in behalf of the School for Idiotic Youth, for removal of a tree from First Head on condition of replacing the same. Referred to the Committee on the Common with full power.

Baldwin

Petition of Dexter Baldwin for removal of a nuisance adjoining his premises in Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Waldron

Petition of A. A. Waldron for a license for the National Theatre. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Fuller

Friend Street

Union Street

Petition of Stephen P. Fuller and others for the discontinuance of Friend Street as lately extended, and for the widening of Union Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Smith Fund

A communication from the City Clerk who is Treasurer of the Smith Fund requesting the instructions of the Board of Aldermen, who are the Trustees of said Fund, as to the proper disposition of the income of said Fund since the Smith School was abolished. Referred to Aldermen Bonney, Brewster and Calhoun.

Auditors Estimates

In conformity with the requirements of the Ordinance on Finance, the City Auditor presented to the City Council the amount of estimated expenditures for the financial year 1856-57 and also the estimated Income for the same year. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance with such as the Board of Aldermen may join with authority to report in print. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Dingley and Rich were joined.

Election of Joseph Kelly &c.

others that the lower story of Faneuil Hall may be converted into Faneuil Hall
stalls or market stores. Referred to the Committee on Public Build- Public Buildings
ings. Sent down for concurrence. March 6. Came up concurred. Faneuil Hall.

An order of notice on petition Bowker
to the Legislature by Alfred Bowker and others for leave to ex- Dales
tend their wharves. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent
down for concurrence. March 6. Came up concurred.

An order of notice on petition to North
the Legislature by B. Shurtleff and others for the annexation of North Chelsea
Chelsea to Boston was referred to the Joint Special Committee on the
annexation of Chelsea. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee Indices
on the subject of Indices to Deeds in the County of Suffolk be al- to Deeds
lowed further time to report. Passed in Common Council. Came up
for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March
5. 1856

The Common Council having Health
elected Joseph Kellum as Superintendent of Health in place of Supt &c.
Ezra Forristall elected by this Board, said action came up for con-
currence, and a petition from Andrew Cunningham and others in
favor of the election of Ezra Forristall having been read, and the
ballots having been taken and counted, it appeared that Ezra For-
ristall was elected. This Board thereby non concurring with the Com-
mon Council in the choice of Joseph Kellum. Sent down for concur-
rence. March 6. Came up concurred.

March 5. 1856. Agreeably to the order of the City Council the accordinate Index Board presented to the City Council their Annual report in print, being City Document No 11. which was received and placed on file.

City Officers Ordinance. The Common Council having amended the ordinance respecting City Officers and their Salaries passed February 5 1856. by inserting after the word year in Section 1st from the first Monday of January in the year in which he shall be elected or appointed" said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1856

Currier. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bonds given by Gideon Currier for land purchased on Shawmut Avenue, and receive from him new bonds, the same being in conformity to a change made in said lots by the Committee on Public Lands February 6th 1856. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1856.

Printing. Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Printing be instructed to advertise for proposals for doing and performing the City printing for the current Municipal year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 5. 1856.

County Physician Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider and report upon the expediency of altering the office of County Physician Sent down for concurrence. March 6 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 8. 1856.

Petition of L. W. Tapan complaining of depredations committed by Squires from the Common upon the grants in his Undercreekey. came up from the Common Council. Read and laid on the table.

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Tapan.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred an order of the 23d ultimo respecting the alterations under Faneuil Hall so that said premises may be used for market purposes presented a report at length in favor of said measure and concluding with the following order.— Ordered: That the Mayor be requested to give such a notice as may be necessary under the advice of the City Solicitor to terminate the leases held by different individuals of the Stores and cellars under Faneuil Hall as soon as it can legally be done, and that the said stores and cellars be taken by the City for their use. Read and the question being upon the passage of the order, Alderman Hammer presented the petition of Commons Raymond and others asking to be heard before the Board and the Committee on said subject: whereupon it was voted that the report be recommitted to the Committee on Public Buildings with instructions to give the parties in interest a hearing and to report in print.

Faneuil Hall
leases

The Committee on Accounts to whom was referred the petition of Edward Barry and others Assistants in the Auditors office for increased pay for their services for the past year, respectfully report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Jere S. Gerrish, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 6. Came up concurred.

Barry.
Auditors
clerks

On the order of notice on the petition to the Legislature to be Malden Horse Power Rail Road Company

Malden
Rail Road

84 for permission to lay down rails in the City of Boston. Ordered: That
March 3 1856. the City Solicitor be directed to appear before the Committee on Rail
ways of the General Court of Massachusetts, and oppose the grant-
ing to the petitioners for the Malden Rail Road Company of any right to
lay down tracks in any of the streets of the City of Boston.

Potter The Committee on Paving to whom
Streets was referred the petition of Potter and Demmon and others that City
numbering Wharf be numbered, report that the prayer of the petitioners should
be granted, and as the subject of numbering and re-numbering
of Streets - is one that your Committee believe can be best disposed of
by a general order giving the Committee on Paving power to act,
instead of passing orders in each case, they therefore report the accom-
panying order. For the Committee Chamberlain, Chairman. Ordered: That
the Committee on Paving be authorized to cause to be numbered or re-
numbered any street or public way whenever they shall deem the
public convenience will be promoted thereby. Read, accepted and
the order passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 4. 1856.

Auctioneers. On nomination by the Mayor, J. H.
Foster was appointed an Auctioneer at 21 Exchange Building and F.
K. Bacall at 387 Washington Street.

Police On nomination by the Mayor Joseph
H. Parks was appointed a Police Officer vice Joseph Parks appointed
on the 25th ultimo.

Minors Agreeably to the recommendation
of the Committee on Licenses, Timothy McCarty and Cornelius Cheev-
don were licensed to sell papers &c.

The Board of Assessors submitted to the Board a list of Abatements made in taxes assessed in 1855. Sent down. | 85. March 3. 1856. Jan 1st.

Also a list of Persons, Copartnerships and Corporations taxed during 1855. upon Six thousand dollars and upwards. Laid on the table and eight hundred copies ordered to be printed.

Leave was granted to Fairbanks and Duffy to open the Howard Athenæum for Theatrical Exhibitions on the usual conditions. | Fairbanks.

On the notices of intention to build by G. F. F. Bryant on Congress Street, and Bryant and Snell on State Street, the Committee on Sheds reported that no action is needed on the widening, but that so much as relates to coal holes be referred to the Committee on Paving. Read and accepted. | Bryant.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at 10½ A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Fifth day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Rich and Cheever.

Carroll. Petition of John Carroll for leave to give a sparring Exhibition at National Varieties on the 7th instant. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Ballard Petition of Joseph Ballard for removal of certain obstructions over the line of Bromfield Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Wiggin Petition of Charles S. Wiggin that the City would repair the sidewalk in front of his premises on Marshall Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Henderson. Petition of Henderson and Stanwood that the present numbers on Tremont Row may be regulated. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Adjourned to Thursday next (tomorrow) at 10¼ o'clock A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Sixth day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Brown.

Petition of Brown and Haley, Conductors or collectors of the east Boston Ferry, for permission to keep swine on Wood Island, and that all persons keeping swine without license may be directed to have the same removed or killed. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health, with full power.

Franklin Fund.

Upon request of the Treasurer of the Franklin Fund, Aldermen Meriam and Prentiss were appointed a committee to audit said Treasurer's accounts.

Streets. Betterment Law.

The Committee on Laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's address as relates to laying out and widening Streets, would ask leave to report the following order. For the Committee, Wm. F. Dingley Chairman. Ordered: That the Mayor be and he hereby is requested to petition the Legislature of this Commonwealth now in session for the passage of an Act in relation to the Laying out, Widening and discontinuing of Highways in the City of Boston substantially like the accompanying draft, (being City Document No. 15. of 1856.) Passed: sent down for concurrence. March 6. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 8, 1856.

Streets. Betterment law committee.

Ordered: That Aldermen Codman, Dingley, Bonney and Meriam with such as the Common Council may join be a Committee to obtain an Act from the Legislature con-

88. forming in its general provisions to the Act printed in City Document
March 6. 1856 | No 15. with power to alter the same in its details, if they shall deem expedient and with power to obtain legal assistance if required. Sent down for concurrence. March 6. Came up concurred and Messrs Washburn, French, Richardson, Krueger, Farnsworth, Harlow and Prescott were joined. Approved by the Mayor, March 8. 1856.

Engine Co No 11. | The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Engine Company No 11 for a room wherein to hold company meetings, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Use of Faneuil Hall | Agreeably to the report of the committee on Faneuil Hall leave was granted to Crums & Blue and others to occupy said Hall on the eleventh of March upon the usual conditions.

Faneuil Hall Lease | On motion of Alderman Torrey, Monday next at three o'Clock was assigned as the time for hearing the lessees of the rooms under Faneuil Hall respecting the termination of their leases.

Adjourned to Monday next, at three o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Tenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Codman.

Jurors.

Four Grand and two petit Jurors drawn for the U.S. District Court and thirty two Jurors drawn for a second session of the Superior Court.

Faneuil Hall leases.

The Board took up the special assignment for this hour being the subject of the leases under the said Hall, when Counsel employed in behalf of the lessees appeared and asked for delay by reason of the engagements of their counsel: whereupon the further consideration of the subject was postponed to Thursday next at five o'clock, P.M.

Pope.

Petition of Benjamin Pope to be refunded amount paid by him for construction of a sewer in K. Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Noble.

Petition of Noble and Gould that their bill for work done on East Boston and Chelsea Bridge may be paid. Referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Fire Depart.t Firemen discharged.

A vote of the Board of Engineers discharging the Foremen of Engine Companies No. 6 and 12. from the Department for violation of the Ordinances and Rules and Regulations of the Department, came up for approval. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

March 16. 1856. Felt.

Petition of Joseph B. Felt and others for use of Faneuil Hall. March 13. read. Hearing meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Mass: Char: Mech: Assn

Petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association for use of Faneuil Hall in September next or the purpose of holding therein their Eighth Triennial Fair. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Hastings.

Petition of William Hastings for a Victualler's license. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Hawksbury.

Petition of William Hawksbury relative to the Beaches at Point Shirley and offering to sell his interest in the same to the city. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred.

Sawyer - Printing

Remonstrance of William T. Sawyer and others against taking out of the city Printing to be conducted. Referred to the Committee on Printing. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred.

Appropriations.

A communication from the Auditor of Accounts stating that additions are needed to the appropriations for County of Suffolk, Fire Department, House of Industry, Lamps, Cleaning of Sts. Primary Schools, Printing Schools Fuel and Police Fund. Referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

Assessors

The Committee [illegible] reported [illegible] Jackson Henry Bryant [illegible] Head as Permanent Assessors, said action came up for concurrence, and

the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the fore- 91.
going persons were elected in concurrence. March 10. 1856.

The Common Council having Per Diem
elected John G. Davis, William F. Ham, and Benjamin Snelling as Per Assessors.
Diem Assessors, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that the foregoing persons were elected in concurrence.

The Committee on Paving, to Bryant.
whom were referred the petitions of Wm F. Bryant, and J. Bryant and others for leave to construct Gas Pipes in State and Congress Streets, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Ordered: That the Committee County
on County Expenses be instructed to inquire into the expediency of Expenses &
making application to the Legislature now in session for repeal of Commissioners
an Act, entitled "An Act providing Commissioners for the towns of Vide page 98.
Chelsea and North Chelsea" passed May 3d 1850. Also, "An Act to authorize the County Commissioners of Middlesex County to exercise certain powers in Chelsea, North Chelsea and Winthrop in the County of Suffolk", passed May 24 1851. Also, "An Act concerning the powers of Commissioners of Middlesex County in the towns of Chelsea, North Chelsea and Winthrop", passed May 4th 1853. And said Committee are instructed to make or cause application to be made to the present Legislature for an Act authorizing the City of Boston and the towns of Chelsea, North Chelsea and Winthrop to choose a Board of Commissioners who shall have all the powers and perform all the duties of County Commissioners in the towns of Chelsea, North Chelsea and Winthrop. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Joint Rules amendment.

Ordered: That Section twelfth of the Joint Rules and Orders be amended as follows. In the fourth line after the word "by" insert "vote of" and after the word "Committee" in the same line add "in formal meeting; nor shall the Committee on Accounts approve such bills or accounts unless the items of charge and the parties, to whom they were furnished or rendered, are distinctly stated therein". Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Washington Portrait.

Ordered: That the communications of Charles L. Goodrich, Esq. and other papers relating to a portrait of Washington, woven in silk, presented to the City Council by Mr. Goodrich in behalf of the manufacturers, Messrs Forson & Co of Lyons France, be taken from the files of last year and referred to His Honor the Mayor, who is hereby requested in behalf of the Council to make suitable acknowledgement. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1856.

Streets Ordinance.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby ordered to take into consideration the expediency of amending Section 40th on page 392. of the Ordinances of 1850 by striking out the following words so as to construe a free passage for foot passengers" and to report on the same at an early day. Sent down for concurrence. March 13 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1856.

City Clerk.

Petition of George Fox City Clerk for an increase of compensation for his services. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence, March 13. Came up concurred.

An order of notice from the Legislature on petition of Geo. A. Thatcher to cause to extend his wharf was referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred. March 10. 1856. Thatcher.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Judiciary Department to whom was referred the petition of William H. Prescott, that an assessment upon him as Administrator on the estate of E. G. Prescott, may be abated, having considered the same, respectfully report, that upon examination they find that the petitioner held no such trust as was charged against him, and they therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Osmyn Brewster, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of two hundred and sixty six Dollars assessed upon William H. Prescott as administrator of the estate of E. G. Prescott be, and the same is hereby abated, as no such estate now exists. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1856. Prescott.

The Committee on Institutions to whom was referred the Memorial of the Boston Provident Association, report: that there is already built and in process of completion "at Deer Island entirely distinct and apart from the other institutions" a building calculated for the accommodation of such persons as are referred to in said memorial, the building will accommodate about one hundred and fifty persons and will have eight separate apartments designed for men with their wives, and will probably be ready for occupancy by the first of June. The Committee therefore ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject. For the Committee, C. Kendall, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred. Provident Association.

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Ballard
Remoral
Obst.

The Committee on Laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of Joseph Ballard for the removal of obstructions over the line of Bromfield Street, report that they have investigated the same and find obstructions as stated by the petitioner and they therefore recommend the petition be referred to the Committee on Paving. For the Committee, J. T. Kingsley, Chairman. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Health
Supt's bond

The bond of Ezra Forristall, Superintendent of Health was approved by the Board.

Franklin
Fund

The Committee appointed to examine the accounts of William Mead, Treasurer of the Franklin Fund having attended to that duty reported as follows. viz: The Committee to whom was referred the request of William Mead, Treasurer of the Franklin Fund for a settlement of his annual account, respectfully Report: That they have attended to the duty assigned to them; that they find said Treasurer's account herewith submitted, made up to the 31 Dec[r] last, to be correct, and that the present value of said fund, as will appear by a statement at the foot of the said Treasurer's account is fifty three thousand six hundred and forty four dollars 93/100. For the Committee, Levi B. Meriam, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Waldron

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to A. A. Waldron to open the National Theatre for Dramatic Exhibitions, on the usual conditions.

Carroll

On the petition of John Carroll for leave to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Amphi-

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the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. - Accepted.

Whereas John Thomas has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Myrtle Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said John Thomas that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the Seventeenth day of March instant, at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Thomas Myrtle Street.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses the following minors were allowed to take papers viz - John H. Leary vice Michael Leary - John Coughlin - Abraham Hoog. Minors

On petition of Brown and Haley, contractors for removal of House Offal at East Boston, for leave to keep swine on Breeds Island, the Committee on Internal Health reported a reference of the subject to the Committee on Licenses, with a recommendation that their prayer be granted. - Accepted and acted according to Brown

The Common Council having elected Nicholas Mellonie as City Registrar, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that Nicholas A. Mellonie was elected on the part of this Board, therefore nonconcurring with the Common Council in the choice of Nicholas City Registrar

96 Aldermen. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. Came up concurred.

Adjourned to Thursday next, at five o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Thirteenth day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Brewster.

King. Petition of M. A. King and others that the ice and snow be removed from Sullivan Place. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Park. Petition of William Parker for the extension of the Emerald Street sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Police On nomination by the Mayor, Thomas Cobb and Samuel Preston were appointed on the Police - Gardner B Chapin on the Fire Police vice David C. Melcon - and Charles Harwood, Special Police Office on the Western Avenue.

Agreeably to assignment the | 97.
Board took up the report of the proposed conversion of the Horse under | March 13. 1856
Fremont Hall into Assembly Halls and Commons Raymond, and Wil- | Fremont Hall
liam S. Babson in behalf of the citizens appeared and objected to said | Case
measure - whereupon the further consideration of the subject was com-
mitted to the Committee on Public Buildings in conformity with a pre-
vious vote of the Board.

It appearing to the Board from | Spendthrift
the testimony of Dennis Bonner, and Daniel Curran that John Bon-
ner of this City, teamster, does by excessive drinking and idleness so waste
misspend and lessen his estate as will render the City liable to a
charge for the support of himself and family, a petition was ad-
dressed to the Judge of Probate that a Guardian be appointed for said
John Bonner.

On petition of Joseph Bullard, Or- | Bullard
dered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify Ignatius Bigelow | Bromfield
of Weston, to remove the projections over the line of Bromfield Street, | Street.
in front of his estate on said Street within fourteen days of the date | Bigelow
of this order, and if the same are not removed at the expiration
of this period, the Chief of Police is further directed to have said projec
tions over the line of Bromfield Street forthwith removed.

On motion of Alderman Bonney, | Joint Rules
the amendment adopted by the Common Council to the 12th Section | amendment.
of the Joint Rules and orders of the City Council, was taken from the
table - and the following amendment to said order was submitted -
Strike out all after the word "person" and insert the following - Strike
out all after "ordered" in the third line and insert "by some person
duly authorized by some ordinance, or vote of the City Council or

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by vote of a Committee in meeting assembled: nor shall the Committee on Accounts approve any bills which have been contracted by or for the benefit or convenience of any member or members of the City Council unless accompanied with a statement of the reasons why such bill was contracted, and if such reasons shall be deemed insufficient to justify the approval of such bill by the Committee they may report the same to the City Council for their approval or rejection" The question being on the adoption of said amendment it was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Institutions. Inventories of property.

Ordered: That the Directors of the House of Industry, the Overseers of the House of Correction and the Visitors of the Lunatic Hospital, be requested to have made out, and deposited in the Auditors office, as soon as it can be conveniently done, a complete schedule or inventory of all the personal property in each of said institutions, duly certified by the Matron or Superintendent of each House, who shall be considered as accountable therefor. And it is further Ordered: That a like schedule or inventory be taken of the property remaining in each of said Institutions on the first day of April in each year hereafter, duly certified as above, and that the same be filed in the Auditors Office on or before the 25th day of April, so that the same may be duly reported in the Auditors Annual "Report of Receipts and Expenditures of the past financial year, accompanied by a schedule of the property belonging to the City" as required by the 4th section of the Ordinance in Finance. Sent down for concurrence, Same day concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1856.

County Expenses Commissioners

On motion of Alderman Coleman the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at the last meeting an Ordinance directing the Joint Committee on County Expenses to petition the Legislature for a change of the present system of electing County Commis-

sioners for Chelsea, North Chelsea and Winthrop and said order having been amended by striking out all the words between A and B on page 99 and inserting the following words "and said Committee are instructed to consider the expediency of making application" it was adopted. Sent down for concurrence. March 13. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 14. 1856. March 13. 1856.

The Joint Special Committee on the order of notice on the petition of Eben Jones and others, in the annexation of Chelsea to Boston, Report: That they have met the petitioners before a committee of the Legislature and given a careful attention to the facts and arguments adduced in favor of the annexation of Chelsea, they have not been able to discover any material benefit to the city of Boston from such annexation; on the contrary, they are satisfied that it would be attended with great inconvenience and expense. The population of Chelsea is estimated at about ten thousand, its taxable valuation, at about five and one half millions, and the rate of taxation does not materially differ from that of the City of Boston. The current expenses of the town requiring this rate of taxation will not be reduced by annexation, as the expenses of its town government are merely nominal. The town property is of trifling amount compared with the property of the City of Boston, while the town debt, (about $70.000 bears a greater proportion to its taxable valuation, than does the City debt of Boston, exclusive of water debt, to the taxable valuation of Boston. The only possible pecuniary benefit to the city from such annexation, would be in a more equitable assessment of county expenses, but to this your committee consider the city is entitled whether Chelsea is annexed or not; and the proportion of county expenses belonging to Chelsea in any event, is but a few thousand dollars per annum. It is difficult to estimate the great increase of expense to the city which will be rendered necessary by the annexation

Chelsea annexation

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of Chelsea, experience has abundantly proved that the annexation of new territory even where that territory is immediately contiguous, involves the City in increased expenditures which are by no means compensated by the benefits received. Your Committee are satisfied that if the proposed annexation is consummated, the expense of paving the present streets, of laying out and paving new streets will be very great, as well as the establishment of proper drainage, in which the town is at present very deficient, and which will be peculiarly expensive, even in the proportion which the City pays, owing to the large extent of marsh land within the limits of the town. But your Committee would most particularly call attention to the supply of water rendered necessary by such annexation. It is not to be supposed that the inhabitants of Chelsea will be content to share in the payment of interest of the City Water Debt, without enjoying the advantages which it secures. On the contrary there is reason to believe that the advantage of the Cochituate Water is the principal inducement to all the petitioners who are not interested for the purposes of speculation. The report of the Water Board, just mentioned, indicates an alarming deficiency of water to be supplied by the City pipes, and alludes to the not improbable necessity of confining the water to domestic uses only. The report adds, that in the case of the annexation of Charlestown or Chelsea, "the first thing to be done will be to lay an additional main to Cochituate, at a probable cost of over Five Hundred thousand dollars. The expense of laying the water pipes in the town of Chelsea cannot but be very great, and it is exceedingly doubtful if, with the present population, there will be a sufficient number of water tenants to pay a water rate equal to the interest on the expenditure. Your Committee have not felt at liberty to take any decided action before the Legislature, without instructions from the City Gov-

cil. They do not ask for their suggestions the weight of a report, as the considerations bearing upon the question are of a public and general nature, and are not peculiarly within the reach of the Committee. They desire instructions on the subject, and therefore report the annexed order. Robert Cordman, William H. Gabriel, W. W. Suter, John C. Mullen. Ordered, That the Joint Special Committee on the orders of notice on the various petitions to the Legislature for the annexation of Chelsea and South Chelsea to Boston, be instructed, with the aid of the City Solicitor, to oppose the prayer of said petitions. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 17, 1856.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Seventeenth day of March Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Bearse.

March 17. 1856. Howe. Petition of George Howe to be paid for damages sustained by a change of grade in Congress Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Jenks Petition of Samuel H. Jenks that a better distinction be made between C. street and Sea street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Prior Petition of William M. Prior for a common Sewer in Marion Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Hall and others Petition of Benjamin Jones, J. McC. and Thirty Others, Patrick Burton, John Hardy, Jun. Pendergast Lan[illegible] Green, and Cornelius C[illegible] for leave to water certain streets in this City. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Moral Reform Society. Petition of the New England Moral Reform Society for pecuniary assistance from the City for support of certain destitute persons. Referred to the Committee on Assistants &c. Sent down for concurrence. March 20. Came up concurred.

McCool Petition of D. McCool to be paid for damages sustained on account of the impassable condition of Prince Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 20. Came up concurred.

Police. On nomination by the Mayor, Philip Lovejoy and John Phenix were appointed on the Police.

Special Police. On nomination by the Mayor, Gilbert Simonds was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Ju-

natic Hospital and J. W. Clark a special Police Officer for the pro- 103.
tection of the property of the Boston Gas Light Company. March 17, 1856.

The Committee on laying out | Turner
and widening Streets to whom was referred the notice of intention | Chelsea St.
to build on Mr. S. Turner's land on Chelsea Street, reported that no
action is necessary respecting the line of the street, but that the
subject and notice be referred to the Committee on Paving. Accepted
and referred accordingly.

Agreeably to the report of the Com- | Minors
mittee on Licenses William Gunning and Joseph Grigan, Minors, were
licensed to sell matches &c.

Agreeably to notice John Thomas | Thomas-
appeared by Edward Young Esq. Attorney and objected to the proposed | Myrtle Street.
widening of Myrtle Street: after which the subject was recommitted
to the Committee on Streets.

On assuming the duties of their | Street
office, the attention of the Committee on Lamps &c. was called to the | Lamps.
existing contracts with the Boston Gas Light Company. Contracts
have been made with that company from time to time for supplying
the Street Lamps in the City proper with gas, and for the care of the
same. After giving the matter due consideration, the Committee have
concluded that some modification of the contracts was necessary
for the interest of the City, and have made the agreement which
they submit herewith. The principal change contemplated, is in light-
ing the street lamps on moonlight nights after midnight, by which
a considerable saving can be made in the expense of gas: and it
is arranged by this contract that the Gas Light Company shall do
all the digging and underground work, and shall put in the

service pipes, charging only the actual cost thereof. This work has been heretofore done by the city, and it is thought that a considerable portion of this expense may also be saved to the city by the change. The care of the lamps and a proper administration of this department require a great deal of attention and the Committee have given the subject as thorough an investigation as the brief period of their acquaintance with the subject would permit. The whole number of street lamps lighted on the nineteenth day of January last, as reported by the Superintendent of Lamps, was as follows

	Gas.	Fluid.
In the City proper,	1,964	586
" South Boston,	207	374
" East Boston,	201	231
" Washington Village,		64
	2,372	1,255

making in all 3,627 lamps.

Since the commencement of the financial year in May last, there have been put up the following number of lamps, viz:

Gas lamps in the City proper,	107
" " South Boston,	8
" " East Boston,	6
Total,	121
Fluid lamps in the City proper,	75
" South Boston,	137
" East Boston,	33
" Washington Village,	64
Total,	309

making in all 430 new lamps. In the City proper there are 28 gas lighters and 7 fluid lighters; in South Boston, 2 gas lighters and 2 fluid

lighting in East Boston, Lynn light and Chelsea light. The amount as in the City paper are paid by the Gas Light Company, and the amount is returned monthly with the bills for gas. For all the other lights a pay bill is made out monthly by the Superintendent of Lamps, and sent to the Auditor. Bills. The last year Sinclair's patent burner has been placed on all the steel gas lamps in the City, and it has been found to work well, and it prevents, to a great extent, the breakage of glass in the lanterns. The Committee do not propose any change, at present, in the mode of lighting the lamps, except in the City proper, and to accomplish this object, they submit this agreement, and would recommend the adoption of the accompanying order. Per the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Ordered that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to sign on behalf of the City, the contract with the Boston Gas Light Company, dated March 1st 1850 whereby the time and mode of lighting the street gas lamps, the price of gas per M., and the rate of the drawer &c. are definitely determined, which contract has been examined and approved by the Committee on Lamps. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Hastings.

On petition of William Hastings for a Victualler license the Committee on Licenses reported that as it is inexpedient to grant such a license the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Brown Bailey wine.

According to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Brown & Bailey, Victuallers for the removal of liquor at their store in Long wine on hand during the continuance of their said contract and upon the usual conditions.

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Hart
Hanover
Street.

Whereas William Hart has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on corner of Hanover and Salutation Street in the said City; and in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants will [illegible] the said Public Street be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said William Hart that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday the twenty fourth day of March instant at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

House of Correction

A lengthy report from the Board of Visitors of the House of Correction submitting plans of the alterations of the brick building at Deer Island, and containing a full description of the capacity and convenience of said Building was laid on the table and ordered to be printed. (See City Doc. No. 24.)

Piper

An order of notice on the petition to the Legislature by Solomon Piper for leave to extend his wharf was referred to the Committee on the Harbor in concurrence.

Ordered

Ordered: That five thousand copies of the report of the Joint Special Committee upon the proposed annexation of the town of Dorchester be printed for general distribution. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 18. 1856

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings consider and report what repairs and additions are necessary to be made to the City Hall with authority to procure plans and estimates. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 18. 1856.

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City Hall.

Ordered: That the salary of Joseph Colburn, late Superintendent of Internal Health, be paid to the end of the present quarter. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 18. 1856.

Colburn.

The Common Council having elected as Assistant Assessors for the ensuing financial year, viz: [illegible] and Saul, Graham [illegible] Asa Vose, Dudley, Edward Sands Solomon Carter, Jr. Hamilton, Ralph Hill, George W. Chipman and Leighton, Charles Swan, Thomas [illegible] rich, Joseph H. Allerton Guerin W. Clark, Thomas A. Vinal, and Saul Seth Maynard, and Standish, Moses Clark, Samuel Coolidge, Benjamin Smith [illegible] [illegible] Joseph H. Howard and Lewis Tucker. Said action came up for concurrence. Read and said list of persons was referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department on the part of this Board (to whom were joined Aldermen Ballou, Tillson and Jackson) with instructions to report whether the leading business interests of the City are represented on the above list and if found not to be so represented, to select names to supply the deficiency.

Assistant Assessors.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to contract by advertising or otherwise as shall be deemed by the Committee on Paving or the

Gravel

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best interests of the City, for such quantities of beach gravel as shall be needed for paving during the year 1856, to be landed in such quantities, at such times and such places as said Superintendent of Streets shall direct. Also for supplying for five years. No contract shall be entered into by said Superintendent of Streets without the approval of the Committee on Paving. Approved by the Mayor, March 18. 1856.

Goldsmith

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of George B. Goldsmith that the City would pay him for land taken at the corner of Revere and West Cedar Streets for the purpose of a School House lot, Report: That payment has been made to said Goldsmith and on the plan known as ... which title has been rendered to the committee and a good title thereby vested in the City for said estate, for the Committee, Geo. W. Torrey, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, March 20.

Ordered:

lot.

That the committee on Public Instruction consider the expediency of disposing of the lot of land purchased by the City for a School House lot at the corner of Revere and West Cedar Streets, and report thereon at their earliest convenience. Sent down for concurrence. March 20. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 22. 1856.

North Wharf.

Ordered: That Messrs Porter, Frost and Richards with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to consider the expediency of selling the City North Wharf. Sent up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and Aldermen Rich and Wing

were joined. Approved by the Mayor, March 18. 1856.

On motion of Alderman Gray, Ord. rec.
the amendment proposed by him, at the last meeting of the Board, whereby a change is made in the 19th Section of the Joint Rules and Orders of the City Council, was taken from the table and was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock. PM.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twentieth day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

Aldermen Gray, Chairman pro tem and Aldermen Hall, Coldman, Merriam, Cheever, Jackson, Seaver and Lincoln.

On motion Voted to choose Jurors. for the Superior Court of Suffolk County.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty fourth day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Plummer.

Taylor

Petition of John C. Taylor for leave to give an exhibition of the art of pyrotechnics at the National Theatre. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Jones

Petition of Henry Jones and others that the Sewers of the City may be constructed by contract. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Peabody
Foster Street.

Remonstrance of Owen G. Peabody and others against the petition of Geo. Peabody and others for the re opening of Foster Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Tileston
Flounder Alley.

Petition of Thomas Tileston that Flounder Alley may be discontinued. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Dix
Gerrish.

Petition of John H. Dix to be paid for land taken to widen Fremont Street; of Geo. W. Gerrish to be paid for land taken to widen Eliot Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Houghton
Chickering.

Petition of C. C. Houghton and others, Chickering & Sons and others that an additional Engine may be located in Ward 11. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Petition of William S. Thacher for leave to construct a coal hole under the sidewalk at No. 233 South Red. c. [illegible] Summary and other land sidewalk in and on Harwood Street, between Bentham and Feltham Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving. March 24. 1856. Thacher Summary.

Petition of Solomon Piper and others that Sea Street may be allowed to retain its present name. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Piper Sea Street.

On nomination to the Mayor Peter F. Hopkins and Henry A. Gass were appointed Weighers and Measurers, and John C. Bradford was appointed Weigher and Measurer of Wood and Bark brought by land. Mayor's Nominations.

Petition of Maurice Mansfield for an allowance to his family on account of an injury sustained by his wife in a fall on the sidewalk in High Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 27. Came up concurred. Mansfield

Petition of Peter Dunbar for $60 to be paid for the loss of a horse by the unsafe condition of Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. March 27. Came up concurred. Dunbar

Petition of Allen Putnam & others for the removal of obstructions from the South Bay Channel, so called. Referred to the Committee on the South Bay Lands. Sent down for concurrence. March 27. Came up concurred. Putnam.

Petition of Farnsworth and Hardwick that the City would construct a certain passageway over its Farnsworth

public land in Fairbanks Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. March 25. Came up concurred.

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Suncail Ferry

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be requested to obtain the opinion of the City Solicitor as to the right of the City Council to lease any portion of Suncail Ferry. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1856.

County Expenses

The Joint Special Committee on County expenses respectfully report: in part that they have had a conference with the Selectmen of the towns of Chelsea, North Chelsea, and Winthrop, who express a willingness that their respective towns should bear a just share of the County expenses. Your Committee therefore recommend that His Honor, the Mayor be requested to make application to the present Legislature for the passage of a law necessary for the purpose. Per the Committee, Levi S. Merriam, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1856.

County Commissioners

The Joint Special Committee on County Expenses to whom was referred the accompanying order, passed by the City Council, in concurrence, on the thirteenth instant, have attended to the duty assigned to them and respectfully Report: That, in their opinion, it is expedient that application be made to the Legislature for the repeal of the various acts therein named. Also, that it is expedient that application be made to the Legislature for the passage of a law authorizing a County Commissioners as named in the order. They therefore recommend

that the Mayor be requested to petition the present Legislature for the repeal of the aforesaid Act, and for the passage of a Law authorizing a Board of Commissioners as aforesaid. For the Committee, Levi B. Meriam, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1856. 113. March 25. 1856

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Charles W. Cutler asking for leave to purchase certain lots of land on certain conditions have duly considered the same and would submit the following report— That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Abel Coleman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. March 27. Came up concurred. Cutler

Ordered: That the following bills for work done or supplies furnished to the different departments of the city Government, by members of the city council, or by persons chosen by them, be audited and paid, provided they are duly approved by the Committees who authorized the contracts— viz:— City Officers bills

William S Allerton 19.02 and 17.28	36.30
Joseph West 2d	44.15
Jr B Winter	16.40
Thos Sprague 2d	41.22
Mark Googins	10.79
Whitney & Kendall	6.00

Passed: Sent down for concurrence. March 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor March 29. 1856

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the Bond cancelled

114. Bond given by William H. Foster for a lot of land numbering 63
March 24 1856 Chestnut Square, the same having been surrendered to the city.
Read once in concurrence. March 27. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 29. 1856.

Bigelow Petition of Andrew Bigelow & others for aid in support of the Boston Evening Schools for Adults. Referred to the Committee on Public Instruction in concurrence.

Appropriations Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of Appropriation, viz: Add to County of Suffolk twenty five thousand dollars by transfer of ten thousand from Interest and fifteen thousand from Salaries: Add to Fire Department three thousand dollars by transfer from Common of twenty five hundred and from Wharf at Deer Island of five hundred: Add to Overseers of the Poor, five thousand dollars by transfer of two thousand from Instructors of Grammar Schools, fifteen hundred from Militia Bounty and fifteen hundred from Grammar School Houses:- Add to House of Industry, six thousand dollars by transfer from Grammar School Houses; Add to Lamps eight thousand five hundred dollars by transfer from Police:- Add to Primary Schools, three thousand dollars by transfer from Primary School Houses:- Add to Printing, one thousand dollars by transfer from Primary School Houses: Add to Salaries, one thousand dollars by transfer from Militia: Add to Fuel, seven thousand dollars by transfer from Grammar School Houses: Add to Grammar Schools, twenty five hundred dollars by transfer from Primary School Houses. Passed in Common Council Mar 25. Sept came up for concurrence. Read and concurred- Yeas, Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Cutler, Cheever, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall

Meriam, Rich, Torrey, 11. Nays, none. Approved by the Mayor. March 25. 1856. | 115. March 24. 1856.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to report on the expediency of altering to ordinance the Office of Superintendent of the common, Public Squares, and if deemed expedient to amend an ordinance establishing such office and prescribing its duties. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1856. | Supt. of Common &c.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Charles T. Hunt to be paid for damage done to his house in East Street in the upsetting of a load of lumber, reported, that they do not think the City is liable for any damages to the petitioner, but as he wishes a hearing they recommend a reference of the subject to the Committee on Claims. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. March 24. Came up concurred. | Hunt.

It appearing to the Board that Walter W. Homer who was appointed a Field Driver and Pound Keeper is deceased, Jacob B. Whiting was appointed in his place. Sent down for concurrence. March 24. Came up concurred. | Field Driver.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Daniel Carr, John Lee, Michael Fearon & Peter Gaffery (minors) were allowed to sell papers &c. | Minors.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses the license heretofore granted to Ed. Goddard to keep an Intelligence Office at 191 Washington Street was changed to William F. Maynard. 11 | Intelligence Office. 11

March 24. 1856. Lamps Gas Light Co

On motion of Alderman Rich the report of the Committee on Lamps concerning a new contract with the Boston Gas Light Company (as recorded on page 103.) was taken from the table and the order authorizing the Mayor to sign said Contract was passed. Approved by the Mayor, March 25. 1856.

King.

On petition of M. A. King and others that the ice and snow may be removed from Sullivan Place, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hughes Washington Street.

Whereas John A. Hughes has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street near Harvard Place, in the said City; and in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore Ordered that due notice be given to the said John A. Hughes that this Board intend to widen the street being mentioned by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the thirty first day of March instant, at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Fire Department.

Agreeably to the report of the committee on the Fire Department the discharge of Firemen of Engine Companies No 6. and 12. were approved by the Board.

Peak Family. Buckley.

Leave was granted to the Peak Family to give Musical Entertainment at the Tremont Temple and to Buckley's Serenaders to give Musical Entertainments

at the Howard Athenaeum on the usual conditions.

Agreeably to notice William Hall appeared and objected to the proposed taking of his land to widen Hanover Street: after which the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets to report an estimate of the expense. — Hall Hanover Street.

The Committee on Paving, to whom was referred the petition of J. J. Jenks that a distinction be made between Broad and Sea Street, reported an order that the Street heretofore called Sea Street be hereafter known and called Broad Street so that Broad Street shall hereafter extend from State Street to the North Free Bridge. Read and recommitted with instructions for the Committee to give the remonstrants a hearing. — Jenks v. Broad Sea Street.

The Committee on Public Buildings who were instructed to report in print on the subject of the Faneuil Hall Leases presented to the Board said report being City Document No 23. wherein they recommend that the Stores under Faneuil Hall be converted into Market Stalls, and they recommend the passage of the following order. Ordered: That the Mayor be requested to give such a notice as may be necessary under the advice of the City Solicitor to terminate the Leases held by different individuals of the Stores and cellars under Faneuil Hall as soon as it can legally be done and that the said Stores and cellars be taken by the City for its use. Read and the further consideration of the subject was specially assigned for Thursday next at four o'Clock, P.M. to which hour the Board — Faneuil Hall Leases.

Adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty Seventh day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Codman.

Reinhard — Petition of L. Reinhard for leave to fence certain land in the City of Boston. Referred to the Committee on Inland Wards.

Pratt. — Petition of Phebe J. Pratt to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in South Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Wells. — Petition of A. M. P. Wells for permission to use a hand hose for St. Stephen Chapel on certain conditions. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Jurors revised list. — The list of Jurors for the several Courts of Suffolk County as prepared by the several Aldermen were accepted and approved by the Board. Sent down for concurrence.

East Boston Ferries. — The Committee of the Board of Aldermen to whom were referred the petition of the East Boston Ferry Company, and the Portis Ferry Company, for an increase of their rates of toll, and the remonstrance of C. M. A. Switchell and others against such increase; also the several petitions for granting aid to said companies having considered the same, beg leave to Report: That the Committee impressed at the outset with the importance of the subject to the City of Boston, the citizens of East Boston, and the two ferry companies have given it their serious consideration and attention and have

sought information through every appropriate channel which might aid. March 4, 1856.
aid them in arriving at a just and satisfactory conclusion. On the
part of the two ferry companies, it was shown from the annual re-
ports which they are required by the provisions of their respective
Charters to make to the City Government, and it was conceded by the
remonstrants, that the actual receipts had not been sufficient to de-
fray the actual running expenses of either ferry for the past year, al-
though the aggregate receipts of both ferries exceed by about fifty per the
receipts of every previous year when but one ferry was in existence.
And these receipts accrued from the tolls fixed by the Mayor
and Aldermen of the City of Boston under the provisions of an-
other section of the Charters of said companies, at the request and
upon the petition of the two corporations, that such rates of toll might
be established. A large and very respectable committee, appointed
at a meeting of the inhabitants of East Boston, appeared before us,
and while they conceded that the receipts of the ferries had not been
sufficient to meet the expenses, they offered much evidence, and
urged several reasons why, in their judgment, they ought not
to be raised. In the first place they contended that the actual re-
ceipts did not express the possible receipts, because on both ferries quite
a large amount of travel, though the exact amount could not be
ascertained, had been induced to pass without paying the prescribed
toll; and therefore it could not be said that the receipts from the
present rates of toll were insufficient, until it was shown what the
actual receipts would have been if the authorized tolls had been
collected. In support of this fact, evidence was produced which proved
the existence, though it did not the extent of the practice; the com-
panies admitted that such was the case, but claimed that it
would not affect materially the result as stated in their returns. The

remonstrants, in the second place, maintained that it was inexpedient to increase these rates of toll, with the view and in the hope thereby to increase the weight of the opposite vote; and had followed a similar policy pursued on some of the railroads leading from Boston, and it was claimed would naturally follow that policy wherever it should be tried: it was furthermore argued that, considering the growth of East Boston for the last few years, showing an increase greatly per cent in the number of inhabitants greater than that of any other Ward for the same time, and the large amount of tax flowing annually into the City Treasury from the property of East Boston, the corporation last year bring about eight millions of dollars, it was entirely reasonable to say the least to the City of Boston to adopt any measure which might retard this growth or diminish this value; and the remonstrants held that any increase of these rates of toll would necessarily and directly tend to such results. Considerable testimony was given by persons largely interested in real estate and other property, to establish these points; and the corporations offered no counter evidence, and did not deny the positions taken. The committee of citizens then claimed that these two ferry companies should receive assistance to meet the deficiency above stated, and that the City should grant them aid; proposing as a measure to this end for the Lower Ferry Company, that the City should buy out the right in the avenues leading from the ferry landings on the Boston and East Boston sides, (which avenues are now the property of that corporation,) and pay the company the fair value thereof, to be estimated by appraisers duly chosen for that purpose. This proposition they made in the belief, founded as they stated upon communications received from that company, that such a measure would meet their sanction and concurrence. That company, by its Treasur-

however, claimed from the City a purchase of the highway at a March 27, 1850.
sum of one hundred thousand dollars, as the only reasonable means
of relief. The East Boston Ferry Company, through its President, stated
to the Committee that they should be content with the same sum. The
Committee have endeavored to state, briefly but fairly, the subject as it was
presented to them by the parties interested, and they proceed to give the
conclusions to which they have arrived. The Committee presume that
the Board of Aldermen may rightfully exercise the power, under
the provisions of the second section of the charter of these corpora-
tions, to revise the present rates of toll if, in the judgment of the
Board, upon the evidence adduced, justice to the public required
them so to do; but your Committee have not been convinced, by the
showing of the companies, that it is either right or expedient, for
the Board to revise the toll as prayed for, believing that it would be a
doubtful means of increasing the revenues of the companies; they
therefore recommend that the companies have leave to withdraw
on their respective petitions for an increase of the rates of toll. The
Committee cannot recommend an appropriation in the form asked
for by the petitioners for aid, or to the amount which was stated
would be acceptable to the two ferry companies, because, in their
judgement, it would not rest on any proper basis, neither would
it be sanctioned by any previous action of the City Government,
and such an appropriation would open the door to numerous
claims for relief from various quarters and would establish a dan-
gerous precedent. Your Committee would have favorably considered
any proposition to purchase and lay out the highways leading to
the ferry landings of the two companies, as suggested by the peti-
tioners for aid, if they had been of the opinion that they could prop-
erly entertain the subject; but in their judgement such a proposition

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should be founded upon petition praying specifically for the laying out of such highways, and such petitions would properly be within the province of the Committee on Roads. They therefore recommend that the petitioners be aid, as prayed for in the aforesaid petitions, have leave to withdraw. All of which is respectfully submitted. William Mackie, John S. Tingley, Isham Forney. Read and laid upon the table, and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 28.)

Jurors. Thirty six Traverse Jurors were drawn for the Municipal Court.

Contant. Petition of D.E. Contant that the City would examine a certain disinfecting process invented by him. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Lease approved A lease to William S. Baker of the right to a stand at the southern corner of Quincy Market for three years from April 1st 1850, at an annual rent of three hundred dollars was approved by the Board.

Bell & others vs. Sudbury St. On the remonstrance of Bell, Thing & Co and others against the change of name of Sudbury Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary. Read and accepted.

Thacher On the petition of William S. Thacher for leave to construct a Coal Hole under the sidewalk at 233 Fourth Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Shumway & others vs. Shawmut Av. On petition of B.S. Shumway & others—Ordered: That the City Surveyor is directed to relay the sidewalks on Shawmut Avenue between Waltham and Dedham Streets where have

not laid their sidewalks to cause the same to be laid within forty days of the date of this order. 125. March 27, 1856.

On motion of Alderman Bonney Faneuil the subject of converting the stores under Faneuil Hall into Market Stalls as embraced in the report of the Committee on Public Buildings being City Document No 25 was taken from the table and the question being upon the passage of the order appended to said report, and as recorded on page 117 - a remonstrance against the passage of the same signed by Commons Tuckerman was read & the Board and was laid upon the table. The Chair presented to the Board the opinion of the City Solicitor which was obtained pursuant to the order of the 25th instant, wherein the authority of the City to lease the Stores under Faneuil Hall is fully established. Read and sent down. On motion of Alderman Bonney the order was amended by striking out at A. the words "for its use" - and the Yeas and Nays being required on the passage of said order as amended, they were taken as follows, viz: Yeas - Aldermen Ladiu, Cheever, Gingley, Jackson, Kendall, Merriam and Bonney 7 Nays - Aldermen Bowditch, Crosby, Thurmer, and Rich 4. So said order was adopted, and on motion of Alderman Bonney it was ordered to be sent to the Common Council for concurrence. Hall. Leases.

The Committee on Bridges to whom was referred a bill of Noble Gould amounting to $135.00 and also a bill of Pike Shackford amounting to $17.80 for work done on the East Boston & Chelsea Free Bridge, reported that after a consideration of said bills they had approved the same. Read and accepted. Noble. Shackford.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock PM

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Thirty first day of March, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Jurors — Thirty five Traverse Jurors were drawn for the Supreme Court.

Waverly Armstrong. — Petition of Chas Waverly & Adam Armstrong severally to water certain streets in this City, Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Shattuck — Communication from Lemuel Shattuck, that some sanitary measures be taken in relation to the Small Pox; read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Van Ockelen. Snyder & others — Petition of Charles Van Ockelen for license to exhibit an Panoramic Natural Prayer - &c. M. L. Snyder for leave to exhibit a Natural curiosity in Quincy Hall & Wm H. Bailey for leave to give a Painting Exhibition in Franklin Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Story. Faneuil Hall — Petition of Joseph Story and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, &c. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall, with power.

Fire Department — A recommendation from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, that Engine Co. No. 13 be disbanded & the Hose, was referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Petition of Andon Hardy for leave to run a Steam Engine at the corner of Franklin and Harvey Streets. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines. — March 31. 1856 — Hardy

Petition of Coleman Cook that Commercial Street be graded from Moulton Street to Whitney Street; of James Hendley and others that Fayette Street may be graded so as to conform to the existing grade of Church Street, of Whitwell and of Harmon so as to construct said Fayette under the sidewalk in Federal Street; of Coleman Piper and others that Liberty Street be bridged over the Boston and Worcester Rail Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Cook — Hendley — Whitwell — Piper.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom were referred the petition of Isaac Child, Brian C. Dodge and Lemuel B. Lakin, asking to be paid for damages sustained by the closing up of a part of an alley leading to East Brookline Street, having fully considered the subject would ask the following Report: The Committee are unanimously of opinion that the petitioners have sustained no damage by the act of the city, and recommend that they have leave to withdraw. For the Committee Herman Hummer. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Spec. Sd came up concurred. — Child — Dodge — Lakin

A request from the School Committee that certain alterations and repairs be made in the Mather School House was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence. — Mather School House

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Thaxter

Ordered: That the bill of D. M. B. Thaxter, Jr. for medical services dated March 20th 1856 amounting to fifteen dollars, be audited and paid provided that the same be duly approved. Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 2. 1856.

Granger

Petition of David Granger that he may be compensated for damage sustained by a leaky Cochituate Water Pipe. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 3d Came up concurred.

Currier

Petition of Gideon Currier for a Sewer or drain from Union Park to Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Advertising

Ordered: That the Committee on Printing be requested to consider and report how many and what Newspapers should be employed by the City to do its advertising for the year commencing April 1st. Sent down for concurrence. April 3d Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 4. 1856.

Debois

Petition of Stephen G. Debois for use of a room in the Old Smith School House wherein to hold an Adult School. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings with full power. Sent down for concurrence. April 3d Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 4. 1856.

Aplhorp

Tremont Street.

Whereas Robert S. Aplhorp has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Tremont Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said

street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Robert A. Taylor, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street, and that Monday, the seventh day of April next at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, C.H. Wilkins, J.F. Sanders and W.A. Hough were appointed on the Police, the latter to be Lieutenant on the Harbor Police.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, the members of both branches of the City Council were appointed Special Police Officers.

Washington Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street, near Howard Place, by taking land of John R. Hughes, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Hanover Street

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Hanover Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Road or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to William Hall, bounded as follows, Easterwardly by the proposed line of widening of Hanover Street, there measuring forty feet and $\frac{29}{100}$; Northwardly by land of Jane Hunter, ten feet and 100; Westwardly by the present line of Hanover Street, forty feet; and Southwardly by Pitcher Street, eight feet and 100: containing three hundred and sixty three Square feet

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more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade City Engineer, dated March 31st 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Spencer Street as aforesaid, will amount to twenty one hundred and seventy eight dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Approved by the Mayor, April 2d 1856.

Court House Lock ups

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to take and occupy the lock ups or cells recently constructed in the basement of the Court House, (whenever said cells are furnished and ready for use) for the detention of prisoners arrested and awaiting trial; and that said cells be under the care and supervision of the Committee on Public Buildings, on the part of this Board.

Union Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners of estates on Union Street who have projections over their buildings over the line of said Street upon which are displayed goods, wares and merchandize contrary to the 4th Sec. 4th of the Ordinance in relation to Streets passed 1856 to cause the same to be forthwith removed, and if not removed to be prosecuted in accordance with the provisions of said Section.

Resolved that the Chief of Police take cognizance of all the violations of the said 19th Section. 19th March 31. 1856.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to have the order passed February 27th 1854. in relation to Shades and Awnings enforced. Awnings

The Common Council having recommitted to the Committee on Public Buildings the report and order respecting the leases of stores under Faneuil Hall which were adopted by this Board March 27th_ said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table. Faneuil Hall Leases

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to expend & cause to be paid to Rufus Ricker the sum of six dollars and eighty cents, the same being the twenty per cent to which he is entitled in having erected and completed a dwelling house on lot numbering 22 West Springfield street according to a condition of sale made June 20, 1855, said land having been deeded to him September 25. 1855. Sent down for concurrence April 14. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor April 17. 1856. Rufus Ricker

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Warren H. Cutler, George Penfield_ Irving H. King_ Hannah Stimpson_ Mary Hall were licensed to keep Intelligence Offices in this City on the usual conditions. Intelligence Offices

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of Josiah Bonnell and sixty other employees in the Department of Internal Health for an increase of wages have considered the same and report: That duty of employing workmen on the City's service in the Bonnell & others Internal Health.

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different departments are by ordinance imposed upon the Superintendent thereof, they being the only persons who are in a situation to judge of the value of such services, it is not therefore a matter that this Committee would desire to interfere with; we therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Per the committee, Isham Bonney Chairman. Read & accepted.

First Church

On the petition of the Proprietors of the First Church for remuneration for damages sustained by the taking of Chauncy Place for a Public Highway, the committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have no legal claim for damages and they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Wiggin

On petition of Charles E. Wiggin that the City would repair the sidewalk in front of his premises on Merchant Row, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Miners.

Agreeably to the reports of the committee on Licenses, John W. Hall, and Bartholomew Rhine, Miners, were licensed to sell papers &c.

Faneuil Hall

Resolved: That the Board of Aldermen do hereby approve of the recommendation of the Committee on Public Buildings contained in City Document No. 23 as to the termination of the leases of stores and cellars under Faneuil Hall, therefore, Ordered: That the Mayor be instructed to notify the occupants of stores and cellars under Faneuil Hall to vacate their premises in six months from the first day of April

1856, and to each boy upon or mailed to remain under his and 151
notice, that such legal action as may be necessary to eject said Lynn Street
from said premises be taken, under the advice of the City Solicitor.
Approved by the Mayor, April 1. 1856

Agreeably to the recommen- Fire
dation of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department the nomi- Department
nation of Clark and Vincent for Hydrant Engine No 2, are confirm- officers
ed by the Board.

On motion of Alderman Rich Thatcher
the subject of the election of Thatcher Masters was taken from the Masters.
table and Monday next at 4 o'clock P.M. was assigned for
the choice of that officer.

Monday next at four and a Boatmen
half o'clock P.M. was assigned for the choice of Inspectors of Inspectors.
and Weighers of Coal.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the
Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on
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Present

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The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Dingley, Meriam and Jackson.

County Court House fire.

The Chairman of the Committee on Public Building having announced to the Board that the County Court House was injured by fire last night and having stated to the Board that after an examination of the building by himself and the Superintendent of Public Buildings, the requisite repairs could be made within the sum of Five thousand dollars it was Ordered; That the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board be and they are hereby authorized and requested to repair the Court House at an expense not exceeding the sum of Five thousand dollars. Approved by the Mayor, April 2d 1856.

Smoking in Public Buildings.

Ordered; That the Committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby instructed to report an Ordinance prohibiting smoking in and about the Public Buildings of the City of Boston. First Branch concurred. April 3d Board upon non-concurred.

Mortgage discharged.

The City Treasurer having certified to the Board that the bonds, for the security of which, a mortgage was given by Samuel T. Hicks to the City of Boston January 1st 1855, had been paid it was ordered that the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge said mortgage.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Seventh day of April A.D. Eighteen Hundred and Fifty

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Merriam.

Petition of G.G.P. Moody for leave to run a Steam Engine at 52 Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines. — Moody.

Petition of Holmes Ammidown and others that Kneeland Street between Albany and Lincoln Streets be preserved as a public highway. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Ammidown & Kneeland St.

Petition of G. M. A. Switchell and others that Davis Street between Porter and Washington Streets may be graded — of G. M. A. Switchell and others that Everett and Allston Streets between Cottage and Harvard Streets may be paved — of Edwin Rice and others that the gutters may be paved and edgestones laid in Swanton Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Switchell. Rice.

Petition of Nathaniel J. Bradlee for leave to erect wooden buildings from Piedmont Avenue to Harrison Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power. — Bradlee

Communication of Samuel A. Way and others respecting the height of the proposed bridge over the Worcester Rail Road back in Albany Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Albany Street.

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Brisco

Petition of John Brisco and others to be paid for damage sustained in charge of grade in South Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Shillaber.

Petition of J. G. Shillaber & others that a portion of the eastside sidewalk of Summer Avenue may be relaid. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Water Board.

Chairman

A communication was received from Thomas Aitken, Esq. Chairman of the Cochituate Water Board resigning the seat he has occupied at said Board for the last six consecutive years. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Clapp.

Petition of Richard Clapp and others that the Cochituate Water Pipes may be laid in Sullivan Street. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. April 8 Came up concurred.

Streets

Supts report

The report of the Superintendent of Streets exhibiting the receipts and expenditures in his Department for the quarter ending March 31. 1856. was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Health

Supts report

The report of the Superintendent of Health exhibiting the receipts and expenditures in his Department for the quarter ending March 31. 1856. was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Ballast

Reports read

The reports of the Inspectors of Wharves exhibiting the number of Vessels entered

and the fees received by them for the quarter ending March 31, 1836 155.
were read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. April 1836

A communication from the Edinburgh
Mayor, transmitting a Memorial signed by the Lord Provost of Edin- Memorial.
burgh and seven Hundred other citizens, for the preservation of the
existing amicable relations between the nations of America and
England, was read and sent down, and the recommendation of
the Mayor that said Memorial be placed in the Merchants' Exchange
Room was adopted.

Petition of Jeremiah Bell to be Bell.
paid for personal injuries sustained in Castle Square. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. April 6. Came
up concurred.

An order of notice on the petition Mr. Kay.
to the Legislature by Donald Mr. Kay to have to extend his Wharf.
Received & the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence.
April 8. Came up concurred.

The report of the Chief of Police Chief of Police
transmitting an account of the doings of his Department for the
quarter ending March 31. 1836. was read and sent down. In
Common Council. Placed on file.

The Committee on Ordinances Common
to whom was referred an order of the City Council passed Jan. 25. Sept.
1836. in relation to the expediency of amending the Ordinance the
office of Superintendent of the Common &c. having considered the
subject, report that it is inexpedient to establish said office by Ordi-
nance. Per the Committee, Frederick Fuller, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

April 7. 1856.

Harbor Master time of choice.

The Committee on Harbor to whom was recommitted their Report on the Memorial in relation to the appointment of Harbor Master, have reconsidered the matter & unanimously instructed their Chairman to report back without alteration; accompanied with such remarks thereon as he shall deem proper and expedient. The recommitment of a subject matter to a committee presupposes either the consideration of the subject with more particularity and care than can be given to it by the body to whom it is first presented, or the collection of facts and their elucidation to aid the body in the decision of the subject matter submitted to them; A recommitment presupposes either a want of consideration of the subject by the Committee or the discovery of new facts which would if known have changed the result arrived at, if neither of the reasons exist have moved to a recommitment but only a change of result is desired, the recommitment should have been with instructions. It would seem that the recommitment was not for information, because final action was had on the matter before it was possible for the committee to report by one branch of the City Council; We are therefore led to the conclusion that the recommitment was not to get new facts, or conclusions to aid the City Council, but to give the Committee a chance to modify their opinion as expressed in the Report, or to change some of the terms used to express that opinion. The first conclusion arrived at, and set forth in the Report is that the office of Harbor Master is not vacant until July; is that disputed by any one?- the statute term of the office is for one year and until another is chosen in his stead, the present incumbent was chosen the second of July last, is there any doubt as to how long a year is? if there could be

the statute of 1836. Chapter 2d Section 6. fixes that, it provides that the word year shall be construed to mean a calendar year, it will be said that the term of office begins before a man is chosen, that might be true when an election is held for a given date, & when the term of office commences at a given time, but such is not the case in the office of Trustee Section. But it may be said that the election being annually, the choice may be made whenever either branch elect so to do, this is not denied by the Report, it simply declares that there being no vacancy the petitions for the appointment of any person are premature" and by implication that an election would also be premature. In relation to this conclusion there may be a difference of opinion without impeachment of motives, but supposing such conclusion unwarranted, was it a reason for recommitment, were not the Committee to be indulged in their opinion as well as others, and must they only be called upon to eat their own words? it was but an opinion which the City Council could, and which one branch thereof did overrule at once. And same may say that the election of another person to an office vacated by the removal of the present incumbent, but is this so? if it is then the choice of the same person is equally so, the principle is the same whether one or another person is elected; it follows therefore that every one who is re-elected from the term of office expires in fact himself out of office, and the credit of re-election is only an offset to the disgrace of being turned out, and the only ones who can claim any credit from an election are those who have not been tried in office, or those who stand undertain before the public, and the City Council is not to touch a re-election, by the enactments between the two branches until after the expiration of their term; very poor encouragement indeed is this for faithful public service. But it may be said

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plication, and that is a rejection upon the sovereign people that
ought to be taken back, the people cannot be premature being sover-
eign, but is this so? let us look at it— the petitions are, that certain
persons therein named may be appointed to a certain office which
by statute or law is about to be filled which duty is a part of the duty
imposed upon us by the City Charter, Section Second, in these words "the
administration of all the fiscal, prudential, and municipal concerns
of the said City with the government thereof shall be vested &c; and
we have taken each of us an oath to discharge these duties faithfully
and according to our ability and for this discharge of our duty we
are responsible to our constituents and in the choice of agents to act
for us in this capacity least we ought not to be petitioned. The
administration of the Police is vested by the Charter and Ordin-
ances more particularly in the Mayor and he is held by the peo-
ple whilst faithfully & not responsible for the faithful discharge
of his trust and is therein clothed with the power of appointment
would the City Council dare to indicate to him by Resolve or other-
wise who he should nominate as Chief of Police?— and is there any
difference in the cases and if there is, is it not that the election of
Harbor Master is intended to be further removed from external
influence by the fact that it is to be done by the independent bal-
ot of the whole City Council by concurrent vote by each branch. We
therefore in addition to our former position that these petitions were
premature would say that they can never be otherwise, so far as
we have observed the action of legislative bodies in our own State
and Nation, this petitioning for the appointment and election of
persons to office presented to the City we are to choose upon their
individual responsibility is peculiar to our own City and is a

growing evil and ought to be discontinued. In conclusion we would ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the above April 7, 1836.
subject. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Wharves

The Committee on Harbor to whom were referred the orders of notice from the Board of Aldermen on the petitions of the following persons for leave to extend their wharves, viz: Solomon Piper, George G. Pollock, Abel Archer, Daniel Cugen, Daniel Conroy, Edward G. Nickerson, William C. Barstow and the petition of Wm. H. Pierson for a new street to Pollock's wharf, have given the several subjects due attention, and request to be discharged from their further consideration. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Aldermen of Pollock. Pollock. Cugen Conroy Nickerson. Pierson. Barstow.

Harbor Master.

The Committee on the Harbor to whom was referred the order of the City Council to inquire into the expediency of determining the office of Harbor Master and conferring the powers and duties of said office on the Harbor Police, have considered the subject and Report: That the office is created by statute of the Commonwealth and the duties cannot therefore be transferred to an office created by Ordinance of the City without an appeal to the Legislature for authority for it, we are therefore of opinion that it is not expedient to make such application and would ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject. For the Committee Pelham Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Harbor

At the suggestion of the Chairman of the Committee on the Harbor said Committee were allowed

April 5. 1850.

The further time asked in the petitions of the East Boston Ferry Company, the Lexington Ferry Company, William Kirkaldy and the order in relation to improvements in the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Printing contract

The Committee on Printing respectfully report that they have contracted with Messrs George C. Rand and Avery to do the printing for the several departments of the City Government for one year from April 1st 1850. For the Committee, Orwyn Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

Sawyer

The Joint Standing Committee on Printing to whom was referred the petition of William F. Sawyer and others against letting out the City Printing by contract have had the matter under consideration and report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 8. Came up concurred.

Assistant Assessors.

The Special Committee of this Board who were instructed to examine the list of Assistant Assessors elected by the Common Council and to report to the Board a list of candidates representing the leading business interests of the City reported in favor of electing James W. Paige, Benjamin Dodd, Josiah H. Mann, George T. Dudley, Edmund Sands, Freeman Carter, Thos F. Merriam, Joseph West, George W. Chipman, Charles Leighton, Charles Brown, Thomas Rich, Joseph T. Merriam, Calvin Clark, Thomas M. Pomeroy, James H. Beal, Jesse Maynard, James Standish, Moses Clark, Charles F. Darling, Benjamin Smith, Jonas H. Wiggin, Joseph B. Fenno and Lewis Tucker. Read and accepted and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that Messrs Paige, Dodd, Dudley, Sands, Carter, West, Chipman, Leighton, Brown, Rich, Merriam, C. W.

Clark, Bacon, Beal, Maynard, Standish, Moses Clark, Smith, Howard 171.
and Tucker were elected in concurrence:—and this Board non-con- April 7. 1836.
curred with the Common Council in the election of Abraham S.
Foss, Asa Swallow, Samuel A. Coolidge, and J. W. F. Hobbs—in whose
places were chosen George W. Brown, Silas P. Meriam, Charles B.
Darling and James S. Wiggin. Sent down for concurrence.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of electing Inspectors of ballast and weighers of Hinders and having voted to elect four of said officers and the votes having been taken and counted, it appeared that Elias R. Hawksbury, Henry Curtis, John Davis and Robert Keith were chosen. Sent down for concurrence. April 17. Came up concurred. Ballast Inspectors

The election of a Harbor Master which was assigned for this day was laid on the table. Harbor Master.

Ordered: That the City Solicitor, under the direction of the Committee on the Harbor of Boston be and he is hereby instructed to appear before any committee of the Legislature now in session, having the proposition under consideration, to elect a Harbor Master on the part of the State for Boston Harbor—and more especially in behalf of the City to oppose any proposition for levying a fee or tax upon vessels entering the harbor, either as a source of revenue to the Commonwealth or for the maintenance of a Harbor Master and his assistants. Passed in common council. Came up for concurrence, Read and this Board non-concurred in the passage thereof. Sent down. City Solicitor. Harbor. Legislature action

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April 7. 1856. Williams

Petition of William Williams that a note given by him in part payment for a School House in North Street may be extended for six months was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

Law

Petition of Public Law to the Legislature and an order of notice thereon for leave to extend his wharf, was referred to the Committee on the Harbor in concurrence.

Fitzpatrick Jail Yards.

Petition of John B. Fitzpatrick and John McElroy for the removal of restrictions on four lots of land in Purcell Street: was referred to the Committee on Public Lands in concurrence.

Washington Street Improvements

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Wm. A. Hughes bounded as follows, viz: Northwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Washington Street, three measuring twenty feet and 7/10; Northeasterly by land of Samuel Rees, one foot and 5/100; Southeasterly by the present line of Washington Street twenty feet and 8/10, and Southwesterly by Samuel Rees, one foot and 5/100; containing twenty eight square feet and 61/100 more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return Records annexed, Washington Ordered, That the parcel of land be and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said ward

ening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated April 7th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Washington Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Five hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuance in said Ward, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Passed: Sent down for concurrence. April 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 25. 1856. April 7. 1856

Ordered: That the Committee on Ward appropriations with such as the Board of Aldermen may join to inquire what alterations, if any, are required in "An Act in addition to the City Charter" Approved May 20. 1852. passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence, and Aldermen Dingley, Penney, and Merriam, were joined. Approved by the Mayor. June 8. 1856. Streets Act.

A communication from the Auditor stating that additions will be needed to the appropriations for Incidentals, Harbor, Lamps, and Burial Grounds, was referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence. Appropriations.

Ordered. That the Committee on Ordinances be authorized to report an ordinance concerning auctioneers, in part. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Ordinances

On motion of Alderman Dingley the report and order of the said Standing Committee on Public Buildings, on the subject of Faneuil Hall Square, being fully Faneuil Hall Square.

1114. April 7. 1856. Document No 23.) which was ordered in the Common Council to be recommitted to said Committee, was taken from the table, and the Board concurred in the order for said recommitment.

Moore. Petition of Moore and Lowsby to be heard upon a Joint Special committee respecting the change of the Printing Contract, was read and laid upon the table.

Bryant. The Committee on Streets on the notice of intention to build by Bryant and Snell at the corner of Exchange and State Streets reported that no action is required as to the lines of said streets, but that so much as refers to Coal Holes be referred to the Committee on Paving. Accepted and agreed accordingly.

April 7. Piemont Street. Agreeably to notice R. E. Apthorp appeared and spoke to the proposed widening of Piemont Street, by taking his land, whereupon said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Van Ockelen. Hayden. Bailey. Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Charles Van Ockelen was licensed to exhibit an Automaton Clarionet Player at Mercantile Hall. M. D. Hayden was licensed to exhibit "a wild man of Borneo" at No 166 Main Street. and John B. Bailey was allowed to give a Sparring Exhibition in Franklin Street.

Watering Carts. The Committee on Internal Health to whom were referred the several petitions for liberty to water certain streets within the City have had the subject under consideration and would recommend that the City Clerk grant

licenses to such persons and upon such conditions as the Committee on Internal Health shall direct, to water streets with cart water for the present year, subject to the control and regulation of the Superintendent of Health as to the mode of watering and the quantity of water to be put upon the streets. For the Committee, Pelham Bonney. Read and accepted. April 7, 1856.

Ordered: That there be paid to Leopold Herman, Charles Rollins, and the Lying-in Hospital corporation the sum of Twenty two hundred and fifty dollars for land taken to lay out a new street from Harrison Avenue to Washington Street in June 1855. upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, cost and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening streets. Approved by the Mayor, April 8, 1856. Lying-in Hospital Herman Rollins.

Ordered: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given to said Inman to the City of Boston dated March 31, 1854. on lot No 1. on City Wharf - the note for which said mortgage was given having been fully paid. Mortgage discharged

A report from the Master of the House of Correction exhibiting the number and civil condition of the Inmates of that Institution on March 31st was read and placed on file. House of Correction

On nomination by the Mayor, Charles Smith was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Union Street Church and C. F. Huggins was appointed a Special Police Officer at the Summer Church. Special Police

1856. The Committee on Ordinances
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Fleet Ordinance. were directed to consider the expediency of amending Section 4th of the Ordinance in relation to Fleets, recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and the Ordinance was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Sealers, Leather & Leather Measurers & Inspectors of Hay. On nomination by the Mayor, Nymphas Dill was appointed a Measurer of Lime, Ebridge G. Dudley, Israel M. Barnes, Samuel B. Livermore, B. M. Nevers, Caleb W. Hathorn, Upper Leather Sealers, C. Holmes and Hiram Young were appointed Inspectors of Timber, Hay, and Measurers of Wood & Bark brought by water. William Vaughan and Benjamin L. Wesby were appointed Measurers of Upper Leather.

County Physician. A report from the County Physician exhibiting the character and amount of official duty performed by him at the English County Jail since the first day of March last, was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

East Boston Ferries. On motion of Alderman Rich the report of the Special Committee on the subject of Bills for the East Boston Ferries, giving said Companies leave to withdraw their petitions for the increase of the rates of their toll, was taken from the table and was accepted.

House of Correction. On motion of Alderman Vinton the communication of the Overseers of the House of Correction respecting the Plans and Specifications for the erection of the New House of Correction at Deer Island, being duly recommended, was taken from the table and was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Ninth day of April, Anno Domini, 1836

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Tingley and Merriam.

On motion of Alderman Tenney, the rule prescribing the order of business was suspended.

A Memorial from the Board of Commissioners, Selectmen and other Inhabitants of said City addressed to the Inhabitants of the City of Boston praying for the maintenance of amicable relations between America and Great Britain was read and sent down and ordered thereafter to be deposited temporarily in the Merchants' News Room. April 11. Came up concurred. Commissioners Addition

Ordered: That the Street running from Bedford Street to Essex Street heretofore known and called Lowe Street be hereafter known and called Chauncy Street and that the Street from Summer Street to Essex Street be hereafter known and called Chauncy Street. Read and laid on the table. Chauncy Street Lowe Street

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Assistant Assessors

The Common Council having elected Abraham S. Fox, Asa Burdick, Daniel Brady and J. W. F. Hobbs as Assistant Assessors thereby non-concurring with this Board in the election of George W. Brown, Silas C. Herring, Charles B. Darling, and James F. Wiggin - said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid upon the table.

Common Council. Warrant for Ward meeting.

Notice was received from the Common Council that a vacancy exists in that branch caused by the resignation of Daniel F. Coburn of Ward No 5. Read and thereupon it was Ordered: That a warrant be issued for a meeting of the qualified voters of Ward No 5. in their Ward room on Wednesday the Sixteenth day of April instant at Twelve o'Clock, M. then and there to give in their ballots for a member of the Common Council from said Ward, in place of Daniel F. Coburn resigned, the Polls to be kept open until four o'Clock, P.M.

Chief of Police

The Mayor nominated to the Board Daniel F. Coburn, as Chief of Police for the present year - and the Board and Says Nine Concurred in the confirmation of the same, the ayes were taken as follows, viz: Ald. Aldermen Young, Bourke, Wilson, Chever, Goodman, Tucker, Kendall, Plummer, Weed, and Tracy - 10. Nays - none. So said nomination was unanimously confirmed.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fourteenth day of April, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Cudman.

Petition of Joseph N. Allen and others for use of Faneuil Hall, May 27, 1856. wherein to hold a Unitarian Festival. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. — Allen

Petition of Dow Aling for leave to give exhibition of Chinese Jugglery at the Music Hall & Petitioners for leave to give exhibitions of the art of Self Defence at Plymouth Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Aling. Petitioners.

Petition of S. G. Tower for leave to erect and run a Steam Engine at 29 33 Haverhill Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c. — Tower

Petition of the Clerk of the Superior Court that the room formerly occupied by the Justices Court may be assigned for his Office & William Bigham and other members of the Suffolk Bar for additional accommodations for the Courts & Public County, were referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board. — Superior Court. Bigham. Court.

Petition of Maria Burrill to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in Broadway & John C. Fisbury that the sidewalk in Malden Street may be relaid, were referred to the Committee on Paving. — Burrill. Fisbury

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Richards. Petition of Laurence Richards for leave to move a wooden building from Sea Street to Fulton Street. Referred to the Committee on Fencing with full power.

Riddle Petition of Edward Riddle and others that Sudbury Street be widened from Court Street to Haymarket Square. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Sudbury Street.

Sturtevant Petition of Noah Sturtevant & others that the City would purchase the Eastern Dept Estate & cancel and assume the rent, six thousand dollars now paid by the East Boston Company to the Eastern Rail Road Company. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Eastern Dept Estate.

Carr Petition of Moses Carr and others that the City would purchase the Avenues leading from Commercial Street and from Summer Street to the People's Ferry and lay out the same as public highway. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Peoples Ferry

Lombard Petition of Ammi C. Lombard and others that the City would purchase and lay out, as a public highway, the Avenue from Commercial Street to the East Boston Ferry. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Marginia Avenue.

Steam Fire Engine A communication from the Mayor recommending that the Steam Fire Engine be put in immediate commission and made ready for instant working was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Police A communication from the Mayor requesting the Board to determine upon the number of Police Officers

which it is expedient to appoint this year, was agreed to Aldermen 151.
Godman, Brewster and Shaw. April 14. 1856.

Petition of L. M. Clark and others Clark
that the street on the easterly side of Franklin Square may be continued from Newton Street to Concord Street, was referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Petition of P. N. Sears that certain Sears.
costs of appeal from the decision of the Board of Health respecting the closing of Tombs within the City may be paid to him, was referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Petition of William H. Simpson for Simpson
permission to build on a lot of land belonging to the City near Rowe's Wharf. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. April 14. Came up concurred.

Petition of the Board of Trade Board
asking for a set of City Documents, was read and thereupon it was of Trade.
ordered that the request of said Board be granted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. April 15. 1856.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer Bond
be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bond cancelled
numbering 720. and given by Austin W. Benton for a lot of land purchased in Chester Street, January 1st 1851. the same having been taken possession of by the City for non payment of instalment July 15. 1853. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 17. 1856.

April 6, 1836.

Pawnbroker ordinance.

Agreeably to instructions the Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the following Document No 33, an Ordinance of nine sections entitled "An Ordinance to license and regulate Pawnbrokers" which Ordinance was read and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Staals Ordinance.

The Ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to Staals passed Sept. 30. 1830" vide City Doc. No. 34 was taken from the table and was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

City & Port Physicians

The reports of the City and Port Physicians for the quarter ending March 31. 1836. were read and sent down. In common Council. Placed on file.

Assistant Assessors.

The ballots having been taken and counted on four Assistant Assessors, it appeared that Messrs. N. Brown, Asa P. Merriam, Charles S. Harding and J. W. F. Staats were elected. The Board having non concurred with the Common Council in the election of Asa Swallow, Abraham S. Fox, and Samuel A Coolidge made by that branch. Sent down for concurrence.

Farnsworth and Wadleigh

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Farnsworth and Wadleigh, praying that a passageway may be laid out over the City's land on Waltham Street, to be used in connection with Lumber Houses erected by them on said Street, have duly considered the subject and would respectfully submit the following Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Per Committee, Farnham Hammond, Chairman. Read and accepted

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Sent down for concurrence. April 14. Came up concurred.

The officers charged with the duties of looking after Truant children and absentees from School, presented to the Board their reports for the quarter ending March 31. 1856. Read and placed on file. Truant Officers

A communication from the Mayor transmitting to the City Council a copy of the vote of the Council of Boston England, rejecting the vote of the President of the common Council of this City & said Council, was read and laid on the table and ordered to be printed with the accompanying documents. Boston Council England.

On motion of Alderman Rich the order to change the name of Vine Street to Chauncy Street was taken from the table and was passed. Approved by the Mayor. April 15. 1856. Chauncy Street.

Petition of William G. Russell & others that Chauncy Street be paved with the Nicolson pavement. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Russell

On petition of [illegible] and others Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify those owners of Shawmut Avenue between Eliot and Sullivan Road, who have not laid their sidewalks with brick to do so within thirty days of the date of this order. Shawmut Avenue.

Ordered: That there be paid to George Parkman Esq. the sum of thirty seven hundred and fifty dollars & 50 Cents for land taken to widen Tenth Street, upon their giving to the City a Deed of the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consc Parkman

1854 April 14, 1856. quence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor. April 15. 1856.

Village & Albion Sts. Ordered: That Village and Albion Streets having been accepted and ordered to Castle Street, that the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade up the parts of said Sts which have ordered. Approved by the Mayor, April 15. 1856.

Williams. The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of William Williams to have the forgiveness of his note for eleven hundred and thirty dollars and interest which was due on the 19th instant, postponed &c &c reports, that the prayer of the petitioner is granted. For the Committee, George W. Torrey, Chairman. In Common Council. Read and accepted, and Mayor ordered that said request be granted accordingly. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 16. 1856.

Printing. The Common Council having non-concurred with this Board in the acceptance of the report of the Committee on Printing announcing to the City Council a change of the City Printers, said report was laid on the table - no action being in fact required thereon, as the Committee have full power in the premises.

Shattuck Small Pox On motion of Alderman Fowler the memorial of James Shattuck on the subject of the Small Pox (being City Document No. 30) was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Agreeably to the report of the committee on Licenses permission was granted A. Browne to exhibit a Panorama of Jerusalem at the Melodeon. A. Browne

On petitions of Bryant and Snell, and Willard and Gilmore, severally for leave to construct Coal Holes under the sidewalks in State and Federal Streets, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. Bryant & Snell

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Committee on Armories, the Board approved of the Armory occupied by the Union Guards at East Boston. Union Guards.

On petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association for the use of Faneuil Hall during the month of September next or soon to hold their Triennial Fair, the Committee on Faneuil Hall reported that the request be granted on the usual conditions and subject to the directions of the Committee on Faneuil Hall. Read and accepted. Mass. Char. Mech. Assoc. Faneuil Hall

On petition of Hobart and Briggs for wagon stands on Liberty Square, the Committee on Licenses reported that the petitioners be allowed to stand in the centre of Liberty Square provided they pay two dollars for wagon & the privilege in addition to the usual license fee, and also on condition that they be removed from said stand if required by the Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted. Hobart & Briggs

April 17. 1836. Miners

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Miners licenses were granted to John Gordon, Thomas Wells, Cornelius Flynn, Michael Lenahee, and John Williams.

Harbor Master.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Harbor Master, it appeared that Samuel Cook was elected on the part of this Board, in concurrence with the Common Council.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

Com: Council member qualified.

April 17. 1836. Mr Joseph Hoy member elect of the Common Council from Ward No 3. in place of Daniel Coburn resigned came up accompanied by his sureties to Bond, and was duly qualified by His Honor the Mayor who administered to him the oaths of office required by law.

At a special meeting of the Board of Aldermen & the City of New York held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty fifth day of April Anno Domini 1836. present the

Present.

The Chairman pro tem, Alderman Dingley, and Aldermen Cheever, Plummer, Calicur, Jackson, Brewster, Codman and Kendall.

Six traverse jurors drawn for the Municipal Court. — Jurors.

Adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty first day of April, Anno Domini, 1856, at four o'clock, P.M.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

The Mayor in some appropriate remarks announced to the Board the decease of Levi B. Meriam, a member of the present Board of Aldermen, who died at his residence on Saturday last - whereupon Alderman Bonney submitted to the Board the following resolutions - Resolved: That it is with feelings of unfeigned sorrow and regret that we learn of the decease of our esteemed friend and associate Levi B. Meriam, esq. a member of the Board of Aldermen whose removal from our midst by death, is an event as sudden and unexpected as it is deeply to be deplored. Resolved: That his event occurring as it does without the usual premonitions of disease and sickness, ought and must impress on all our minds the uncertainty of life, and admonish us of the duty of preparation for a similar change. Resolved: That we tender to the family of the deceased our heartfelt and warmest sympathy in their affliction; and while they

Alderman Meriam dead of. — Services.

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mourn the removal by death of an affectionate husband and father. We feel that we also have lost a frank, generous and valued friend: the City a faithful and fearless public servant, and the community at large one, whose character was pure, whose integrity was spotless, and whose fidelity to his public and private duties was eminently consistent and firm. Resolved: That as a further testimonial of our respect for the deceased the City Council will (if agreeable to the family of the deceased) attend the funeral on the day and upon its occurrence. Resolved: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to transmit a copy of these Resolutions to the family of the deceased, and that they be entered at length on the journals of both branches of the City Council. The passage of said resolutions having been seconded by Alderman Dingley, they were unanimously adopted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor, April 21. 1856.

Committee

Ordered: That Aldermen Dingley, Plummer and Codman with such as the Common Council shall join be a Committee with full power to make all necessary arrangements for attending the funeral of our late associate, Levi S. Herriman Esq. by the City Council. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred, and Messrs. Richards, Frost, Richardson, Story, and Farnsworth were joined. Approved by the Mayor, April 21. 1856.

On motion of Alderman Bonney the Board then

Adjourned.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Twenty Second day of April, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Jurors. Thirty two Traverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior Court.

Bennet. Petition of W. W. & J. F. Bennet & others, that a sewer be laid in Princeton Street, between Brooks and Putnam Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Pilsbury. Petition of John C. Pilsbury that the land on the corner of Malden and Washington Streets be drained. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Roberts. Petition of Timothy Roberts to be paid for damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Fisk. Petition of S. G. & G. Fisk for leave to erect a Stable on Fourth Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Wooden building. A complaint of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department against a large wooden building in course of construction on Lenox Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Metropolitan Rail Road. Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for leave to lay down a double track in Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Petition of John A. Hughes

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Hughes. Way Kingsbury.

for leave to construct coal Vaults under the sidewalk in Washington Street, & Samuel A. Way that the grade of Albany Street may be given to him of W^m. Kingsbury & others, that the name of Tea Street may be changed to Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Kendall Bowker Leavitt Field.

Petition of David Kendall & others that Leonard Avenue be paved, of William C. Barlow and others that Marginal Street near Orleans Road be paved, of G^o C. Rowe and others that Church Street may be paved, of Samuel R. Field and others that Hancock Street from Hancock Square to Orleans Road be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Raymond Homer.

Petition of Raymond, Dana & Co^s & others that Street signs may be placed on the corners of Commercial and East Boston Streets, of Henry Homer and others, that the gutters on E. Third from Broadway to Gold Street may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Revere House Bowdoin Square.

A notice from the Proprietors of the Revere House that they had erected a portion of the sidewalk on the Southerly side of Bowdoin Square and Cambridge Street (as therein set forth) so as to preserve their claim thereto, was read and placed on file.

Twelfth Cong^l Church Chambers Street.

A notice from the Proprietors of the Twelfth Congregational Church that they had enclosed a portion of the sidewalk in Chambers Street, as herein set forth in order to preserve their claim thereto, was read and placed on file.

from Thomas Caldwell, Warden, E. L. Caldwell, Clerk, and John L. Howard and Joseph Snow, Inspectors of Ward No 3 resigning their said Ward Offices, were read and placed on file. April 22. 1856. Ward No 3. Offices.

A communication from Oliver Frost tendering to the Board his resignation as a Special Police Officer, was read and placed on file. Frost.

On nomination by the Mayor, Nicholas C. Peach was appointed a Warrant Undertaker in place of Philip C. Field removed from the City. Undertaker.

Agreeably to the reports of the committee on Licenses, Lee Ming was licensed to give exhibitions of Chinese Juggling at the Music Hall and Barnard Ford to give an Exhibition of the Art of Self Defence at the National Pavilion Read and accepted. Ming. Ford.

A communication from the Collector of the Port of Boston stating that a cargo of Ginger per Ship George Hallet from Calcutta had accidentally mixed therewith, a quantity of Nux Vomica, was read and referred to the Committee on Internal Health with full powers to take such measures in the premises as will effectually preserve the community from all deception and danger. Ginger mixed.

The Bond of Samuel Cook, Harbor Master, was received and approved by the Board and deposited in the office of the Auditor. Harbor Master.

Remonstrance of W. I. Niles against the proposed extension of the City Hall was read and ord Niles.

162. down. In Common Council. Read and placed on file.

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U. S. Navy Yard. Petition of the Commandant of the United States Navy Yard to lay the Cochituate Water Pipes in Charlestown. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. Came up concurred.

Dyer Congress St. Whereas E. E. Dyer has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Congress Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the said E. E. Dyer, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street — and that Monday, the twenty eighth day of April instant, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Adult Evening Schools The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the petition of Andrew Bigelow and others, praying for the establishment of Adult Evening Schools in this City, Report: That while the system of Evening Schools for Adults is of great value to the City and in its operation has been in every way satisfactory, the expediency of rendering aid to Institutions for education, not immediately under the control of the City may be considered somewhat questionable; and your committee are unwilling by any action upon the petition which has been referred to them to establish any precedent which may give to these or any other

petitioners an apparent claim for regular assistance from the City Government. In view however of the fact that these schools are mainly supported by charity and are free from sectarian influence, and that, in this instance, aid has heretofore been granted by the City Council, and also that the assistance now asked for is to liquidate an indebtedness which has already been incurred on the faith that the City would continue its assistance. Your Committee recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Robert Lodman, Chairman. Ordered: That the net income received during the next financial year by the City from the rents, hay and other articles at the North Public Scales, after deducting all expenditures for the maintenance and repairs thereof, be applied under the direction of the Committee on Public Instruction towards the support of Adult Evening Schools in said City. Read, accepted & the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 30th 1856.

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The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred an order to consider the expediency of disposing of the lot of land purchased by the City for a School House Lot at the corner of Revere and West Cedar Streets, and report thereon, have considered the subject and Report: That it is expedient to sell said lot as it is not wanted for School purposes For the Committee, Robert Lodman. Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. 1856. Came up concurred.

West Cedar St. School House Lot.

The Joint Standing Committee on claims, to whom was referred the petition of David Granger, that he may be compensated for damage sustained by a leaky Cochituate

Granger

164. Water Pipe, would respectfully recommend, that the petitioner have
April 22. 1856. leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman.
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. Came up
concurred.

Mansfield. The Joint Standing Committee on claims, to whom was referred the petition of Maurice Mansfield, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City liable in the matter, and they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. Came up concurred.

Hall. The Joint Standing Committee on claims, to whom was referred the petition of Freeman Hall, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City liable in the matter, and they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. Came up concurred.

Advertising. The Joint Standing Committee on Printing have had under consideration the order of the 1st instant regarding the number and what newspapers shall be employed by the City to do its advertising for the current municipal year, and report: That the following daily newspapers be employed to do the advertising for the various departments of the City Government, for one year, from the first of April current, provided, they will do it for a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars each per annum, viz: The Atlas, Traveller, Evening Gazette, Journal, Courier, Times, Post, Chronicle, Transcript, Herald, American & Bee. For the committee, Edmund Dwight, Chairman. Read and accepted

Sent down for concurrence.

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The Common Council having adhered to their former vote of April 8 respecting the proposed appointment of a Harbor Master by the Authorities of the State, in which vote this Board non-concurred on the seventh instant; said action came up for concurrence. Read, and thereupon this Board receded from its former vote and concurred in the passage of the order (as recorded page 1141.) Approved by the Mayor, May 2. 1856. Harbor Master.

The Common Council having elected Abraham S. Fox, Ira Swallow, and Samuel A. Coolidge as Assistant Assessors thereby non-concurring with this Board in the choice of George W. Brown, Silas P. Meriam, and Charles B. Darling, said action came up for concurrence. and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Assistant Assessors, it appeared that Abraham S. Fox, Silas P. Meriam, and Charles B. Darling were chosen, this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the choice of Ira Swallow and Samuel A. Coolidge. Sent down for concurrence. April 24. Came up concurred. Assistant Assessors

A petition from Moses Place to be allowed pay for extra men and horses kept for services at fires: came up from the Common Council. Read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. Place.

Ordered: That the house erected on lot No. 30. Chester Square, by Joel Wheeler, be and it is hereby accepted, as fully and substantially complying with the deed of the City conveying said lot; And that the Mayor be and he is authorized to execute a deed of confirmation of said lot to said Wheeler

166 Wheeler modifying the condition of said deed, so as to render le-
April 22. 1856 gal the erection of the present building. Passed in Common Coun-
cil. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by
the Mayor, April 23, 1856.

Appropriations transfers of The Committee on Finance to whom
the Auditors communication of the 3d inst. was referred, have con-
sidered the same and respectfully recommend to the City Council
the passage of the annexed order. For the Committee, Alex H. Rice,
Chairman. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized
to make the following transfers of appropriations viz: From Engine
House & Incidental Expenses one thousand dollars. From Sewers to
Common, three hundred dollars. From House of Industry to Steamboat,
six hundred dollars. From External Health to Market, two hundred
dollars. From Public Buildings to Burial Grounds, two hundred dollars.
and such other transfers as may be found necessary in closing up
the business of the present financial year. Yeas 35. Nays, none. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Bonney,
Brewster, Calnow, Cheever, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer,
Rich Veazy 11 Nay, none. Approved by the Mayor, April 23 1856.

Woodberry Fail Lands A remonstrance of Charles Woodberry
and others against having the restrictions removed from the Fail
Lands. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands in concurrence.

Hammond. Ordered: That the remonstrance
of Nathaniel Hammond and 924 others against the removal of
the restrictions upon the "Fail Lands" so called be taken from the files
and referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Passed in the
Council. Came up for concurrence. Read & concurred. Approved by the Mayor
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Petition of M. C. Berry to be paid 167.
for damage sustained from a defect in Camden Street. Referred April 2. 1856.
to the Committee on Claims in concurrence. Berry.

A notice from the Common Coun- Ordinances.
cil that Joseph Story had been appointed a member of the Committee
on Ordinances in place of Mr. Bowen resigned, was read and plac-
ed on file.

Ordered: That the Committee on Fire
Fire Insurance be allowed further time to make their report. Passed in Insurance
Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Approved by the Mayor, April 23. 1856.

Ordered: That the sum of One Tax
Million nine hundred and fifty thousand dollars be raised on the
Polls and Estates of the inhabitants of this City, according to law, to pay
the current expenses of the City of Boston and County of Suffolk dur-
ing the financial year which will commence with the first day of
May 1856. and end with the last day of April 1857. Passed in Com-
mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Ordered: That the Committee on Smoking
Ordinances be and they hereby are instructed to inquire and report as in Streets &c.
to the expediency of action by the Council in regard to the prohibition of
smoking in or about the Streets, Buildings, Wharves &c. in the City. Passed
in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.
Approved by the Mayor, May 2. 1856.

A vote of the Common Council Edinburgh.
authorizing the Mayor to make such disposition as he may choose of
the Memorial of Citizens of Edinburgh and requesting him to reply

thereto. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

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Salaries Committee

A notice from the Common Council that Mr. Washburn had been appointed on the Committee on Roads in place of Mr Coburn resigned, was read and placed on file.

Printing

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be and they are hereby requested to report what, if any, alteration is necessary in the Ordinance on Printing. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 23. 1856.

Engine Co. No 13.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the communication of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department recommending that Engine Company No 13. be disbanded, reported, that said Engine Company be disbanded in conformity with the advice of the Board of Engineers. Read and accepted.

Myrtle Road.

The Committee on Roads to whom was recommitted the subject of the proposed widening of Myrtle Road by taking land of John Thomas, reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Shatton

On petition of Jonas Shatton for appointment as officer to take charge of the conveyance of prisoners to and from the Jail, the Committee on Internal Health reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Allen Female Seminary

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Female Seminaries the use of the Hall was granted to Rev. N. Allen for an Unitarian Festival on May 27. 1856 on the usual conditions

On petition of Lester Baldwin 169.

for removal of a nuisance adjoining his premises in South Read, Lot 22 1850
the Committee on Sewers & Drains reported that said nuisance has Baldwin
been abated and that no further action is necessary. Read and
accepted.

On petitions of Anson Hardy, Hardy.
C. & E. Hardy, and 21 Owners severally for leave to run Steam Engines Hardy.
at Franklin Read Washington Read and Harrison Read — Owners.
the Committee on Steam Engines reported that the said petitioners
have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Whereas it appears to this Board Brookline
that a nuisance exists on premises situated in Brookline Street Street
and in rear, caused by insufficient drainage, foul, filth, stagnant Rees & Powell.
water and overflowing of vault on said premises belonging to
Messrs Rees & Powell which is dangerous to the health
of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of
Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be
abated by proper construction of drainage, the removal of dirt &
filth and entry of said vault for cleaning, at the expense of said
parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate
said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Prince Street,
that a nuisance exists in rear of 76 Prince Street caused by a foul Hobbs.
vault on said premises occupied by Mr. John Hobbs which is danger-
ous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said
nuisance to be abated by making said vault secure according to
law, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified,

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have neglected to abate said nuisance.

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Negro Place.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in rear of Negro Place caused by leaky vaults from premises belonging to Lydia Savage and Ann Chadbourne which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by making said vaults secure according to law, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Commercial Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises in rear of № 422 Commercial Street caused by a defective drain on said premises, belonging to Mrs. Margaret Ford and Patrick Cashman which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by having said drain thoroughly cleansed and repaired at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Union Park Street.

Ordered: That the portion of Union Park between Washington Street and Thurmut Avenue be hereafter known and called Union Park Street. Approved by the Mayor, April 23. 1856.

Chauncy Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets consider the expediency of widening Chauncy Street, near the corner of Summer Street.

Police - number of -

The Special Committee of this Board appointed to recommend a proper number of Policemen

for the present year, report and recommend that said number should be two hundred, and that power be given to the Mayor to increase the same at his discretion. For the Committee, Robert Rodman, Chairman. Read Accepted.

Warrants for Ward meetings.

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards, on Monday next the twenty eighth day of April inst, being the fourth Monday in said month, at eleven o'Clock, A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for one person, being an inhabitant of the County of Suffolk, to be a Register of Deeds therein:- also to give in their ballots for one person being an inhabitant of said City, to be an Alderman of the City of Boston, in place of Levi S. Bartlett, deceased.- Also, That the citizens of Ward No 3. be also called on to ballot for a Warden, Clerk, and two Inspectors of Elections in place of Messrs Bulfinch, Shurtleff, Leonard and Snow resigned. The Polls to be kept open until four o'Clock, P.M.

Smith Fund income

The Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of the City Clerk, asking what disposition should be made of the income of the Smith Fund.- Report: That the income of the Smith Fund must be by the terms of the testator's will, applied to the "free instruction of Colored Children in Reading, Writing and Arithmetic".- Accordingly, it has been usual to pay the income to the Master of the Smith School.- Since this school has been discontinued by the action of the Legislature one other disposition must be made of this income. As the colored children are now admitted and educated in our Grammar and Primary Schools at the expense of the Annual Appropriation for those objects, if the income of the Smith Fund be added to that appropriation it will be such a compliance with the wishes of the tes-

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laber as will prevent a lapse of the trust. Therefore the passage of the following order is recommended. For the Committee, P. Berney, Chairman. Ordered: That the income of the Smith Fund be paid over quarterly to the City Treasurer, to the credit of the appropriation for Instruction of Grammar and Primary Schools. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Water Board

The subject of the election of the Crescitude Water Board was postponed to Monday next at 11½ o'clock. P.M.

Funeral Car.

On motion of Alderman Dingley, it was ordered that Wm. Frazer, Funeral Undertaker, be allowed to use his private Funeral Car at the funeral of the late Jacob Meriam this afternoon.

Adjourned to three o'clock. P.M.

The Board re assembled at three o'clock, P.M.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Aldermans funeral

The Committee to whom was referred the order for making arrangements for attending the Funeral of Alderman Meriam, would ask leave to report, that they have conferred with the family of the deceased and would recommend that the members of the City Council attend his funeral this afternoon at 3½ o'clock, as friends, but un-officially, in accordance with the wishes of the family. For the Committee, Jon. F. Fiske, Chairman. Read and accepted. Both Boards in concurrence. Came up concurred.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next,
at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty fourth day of April, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,
The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Kendall.

Petition of Potter and Lemmon and others that the City would remove the dirt and filth from City Wharf. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. — Potter

Petition of William R. Dempster for leave to give Concerts at the Music Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Dempster.

Petition of George W. Gerrish to be indemnified for alleged injuries sustained by his property by the removal of the walls of the late Boston Theatre. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. — Gerrish

Petition of P. M. Crane and others that Crane Street may be paved from Harrison Street to Marginal Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Crane Street.

Petition of Sarah Lyon for the extension of the Common Sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains. — Lyon

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Petition of Jonas Bolsom for

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leave to construct boat holes under the sidewalk at corner of

Referred.

Webster and Billings Wharfs. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Tompkins

Petition of Abel Tompkins and

Fanl. Hall.

others for the use of Faneuil Hall May 29. 1856. for a Universal-

ist meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

B. Street

Ordered: That the Superintend

Sewer.

ent of Sewers be and he is hereby directed to extend the Sewer

in B Street leading from Broadway to the Laurence School House

for the accommodation of said Laurence School House. Approved by

the Mayor, April 26. 1856.

Alderman

Leave having been granted by

Meriam

the Common Council to Mr. Nash of Ward 10. to submit to that body

death.

in writing some remarks on the recent death of Alderman Mer-

iam, which Mr Nash would have expressed had he been present

Mr Nashs

at the special meeting of the Council convened for that reason—

remarks

said remarks were read and came up to this Board. Laid on

the table.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty eighth day of April, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Joseph Hale, Jr. for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 165 Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Hale.

Petition of Daniel Breen for permission to widen Court Street and school Street for the City. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. — Breen.

Petition of George W. Debtois and others, that Rutland Street may be graded and the gutters paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Debtois

Petition of Andrew J. Hall and others for leave to enclose a portion of the sidewalk in front of their houses from 85 & 91 Beacon Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Hall.

Petition of Tisdale Drake & others that Lee Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Drake.

Petition of William Swinburne for leave to establish a riding school upon the Public Garden. Referred to the Committee on the Common. — Swinburne

Petition of Richard Walsh and others for the restoration and improvement of the Malls on Fort Hill. Referred to the Committee on the Common. — Walsh Fort Hill.

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Communication of Samuel Cook

Cook

respecting his time of assuming the duties of Justice Master, to which office he was recently chosen, was read and sent down.

East Boston Company under other Streets.

Proposition of the East Boston Company respecting the sewers in Border, Meridian, and Bowdoin Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Mc Cann.

Petition of Michael Mc Cann, for a common sewer in Marginal Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Methodist Episcopal Church

Petition of the Methodist Episcopal Church that the City would convey to them on favorable terms a lot of land at the South Section of the City for a Church edifice. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred.

Thirteenth Bapt. Church

Petition of the Thirteenth Baptist Church for a gift of a lot of land for a Church edifice on Fourteen Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred.

Washington Square

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Washington Square caused by dirt, filth, and defective drains on said premises, belonging to Messrs Wm Gray S.K. Williams, J. Thayer, Josiah Lee, & the heirs of Peter Farnsworth and N.A. Holden, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is Hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by cleaning and repairing said drain, and removing dirt and filth from said premises at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises corner of North and Cox Streets caused by dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to William N. Sanford which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth from said premises at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. April 28. 1856 North Street.

The Committee on Paving on the petition of the Massachusetts General Hospital that the City would construct the footwalk in Allen and Lynn Sts around said Institution with brick, would respectfully report in favor of the City paving said sidewalks with brick whenever the Trustees of said Institution shall have erected a new Iron fence around the same. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Massachusetts General Hospital

Ordered: That there be paid to Frederick Folsom the sum of Twenty five dollars for damages occasioned by the change of grade of Church and Fayette Streets upon his paying his bills to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Approved by the Mayor. April 30. 1856 Folsom

On petition of G. W. Nowell. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Church Street, in conformity with the established grade, and re- Nowell Church St

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move all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, April 30. 1856.

Church Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abuttors on Church Street to lay their sidewalks with brick within thirty days of the date of this order, the said Church Street having been ordered to be paved.

Wingate Lehigh Road

The Committee on Paving on the petition of N. T. Wingate and others that Union Street be extended to Sea Road would respectfully report the accompanying order. For the Committee, Mr. Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That Lehigh Road be extended through to Sea Street and that the Avenue now open from Sea Street to Ruth Street be and the same is hereby laid out as a public Highway and the Chief of Police is hereby directed to notify the parties who have obstructions on said Lehigh Road as extended and laid out to have the same removed within ten days of the date of this order, and if not removed at the expiration of this period then the Chief of Police is further directed to cause the same to be removed. Read, accepted and the order passed. Approved by the Mayor, April 30. 1856.

Hillefield Lincoln Road

On the petition of Norah Hillefield and others. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abuttors on Lincoln Road, westerly side from Grove to Beach Street, to lay their sidewalks with brick within thirty days. If not laid at the expiration of that period, the Superintendent of Streets is directed to lay said sidewalks with brick and that the expense

thereof be charged to the said abutters.

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Alderman Read, read

The Committee on Paving to which was referred the petition of the Metropolitan R. R. Co. for the extension of their rail track from East Boston Ferry to Meridian and Bayston Streets; also for a location of a double track through Washington Street its entire length, would respectfully report that in the opinion of your Committee it is inexpedient to alter the location already granted, but as the subject is one that must come before the Board of Aldermen for action, they recommend that the petitioners be heard before the full Board. Per the Committee, Otis Tufts, Chairman. Read and accepted, and Monday next at five and a quarter o'clock, PM was assigned as the time for hearing said Company.

Sea Street. Federal Street.

The Committee on Paving to which was recommitted their report in favor of changing the name of Sea Street to that of Federal Street with instructions to give the remonstrants a hearing, and the petition of J. H. Tingley & Co. and others that the name of Sea Street may be changed to Federal Street, would report that the remonstrants have been heard. Since the hearing of the remonstrants the petition above named to have the name of Sea Street changed to that of Federal Street has been presented to the Board of Aldermen, and your Committee recommend the passage of the following order. Per the Committee Otis Tufts, Chairman. Ordered, That the name of Sea Street be changed to that of Federal Street and that Federal Street hereafter shall extend from Milk Street to the South Boston North Free Bridge, so called. Read accepted and the order passed. Approved by the Mayor. April 30. 1856

Alderman Rich submitted to the

April 28. 1856. Lincoln Street

Read the following order. Ordered. That upon the completion of the bridge across the track of the Boston and Worcester Railroad over Albany Street and the opening of said Albany Street between Oak Street and East Orange Street to public travel, the part of Lincoln Street between Oak Street and East Orange Street be discontinued as a public highway. Read and agreed to the Committee on Streets.

Patterson

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of David Patterson for leave to surrender a Bond given for land on Northampton Road on certain conditions, have duly considered the subject and would respectfully submit the following Report; That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred.

Franklin Statue.

A communication from the Mayor transmitting to the City Council a notice from the committee appointed under the auspices of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association and others, citizens of Boston, to procure a Statue of Benjamin Franklin, that the area in front of the City Hall had been selected as the most appropriate site for said statue, and signifying the intention of said committee to inaugurate said statue on the Seventeenth of September next and asking the co-operation of the City Council thereof, was read and agreeably to the request therein signified, Aldermen Plummer, Brewster and Long with such as the Common Council may join were appointed a committee on the part of the Board on the occasion. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred. Messrs Washburn, Parkman, Rich & Long were joined.

Whereas the City Council of Boston by vote passed October 11. 1852 and Jan. 2. 1853 agreed to pay to the East Boston Free Bridge Corporation the sum of Forty thousand dollars for a new Bridge from East Boston to Chelsea over Chelsea Creek provided said Bridge was built to the satisfaction of the City Engineer and a Joint Special Committee to be appointed for that purpose &c. therefore Ordered: That Aldermen Jackson and Kendall with such as the Common Council may join be constituted a Joint Committee to superintend the erection of said Bridge and to see that all the said covenants with the City made by said East Boston Free Bridge Corporation touching the erection of said Bridge are faithfully and promptly performed. Sent down for concurrence. Jan 30. Came up concurred, and Messrs Porter Beal and Richards were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 2. 1856

April 28 1856. East Boston Free Bridge

The Superintendent of Public Lands presented to the Board his quarterly report of the sales of Public Lands since January 1st 1856. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Public Lands

The special assignment being the election of a Certificate Water Board was taken up and the Chair read a letter from Joseph Smith, Esquire, declining to be a candidate for re election to said Board, sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. Whereupon said election was again postponed to Monday next at 4 1/2 o'Clock, P.M.

Water Board.

Alderman Plummer offered the following order. Ordered: That the thanks of the City Council be presented to Thomas Wetmore, Esquire, late Chairman of the

Wetmore. thanks to

182. April 28. 1856. Board of Water Commissioners for his valuable services and for the very successful and satisfactory administration of this most important department during the past six years. Read unanimously. Sent down for concurrence. April 30 came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 2. 1856.

Buildings to be razed — Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider and report upon the expediency of an Ordinance giving authority to the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department to raze any building made dangerous by fire. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 30. 1856.

Blanchard — Petition of W. B. Blanchard that the city would take mortgage on certain houses built by him on Rutland Street to cancel certain indebtedness of his to the City on other lots of land. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands in concurrence.

Lands Supt chosen — The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Public Lands it appeared that Reed H. Hall was unanimously chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

Pub: Buildings Supt chosen — The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Public Buildings it appeared that Samuel C. Nellis was unanimously elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

Expenditures City Charter com^e on — Ordered: That Messrs Parker, Frost and Dexter with such of the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to enquire and to report to the City Council, such of any alterations in the City Charter, the Statutes in relation to the administration of the financial and pecuniary affairs of the City as

its Ordinances, are necessary to give to the Common Council, as a coordinate branch of the City Government a concurrent vote in the disbursement of the public money:- And also to enquire whether a more particular system of estimates for the annual appropriations for the various Departments should not be required of the Assessors from the close of each financial year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Accounts. Committee

Notice was received from the Common Council that that branch had elected Rachel Field as a member of the Committee on Accounts in place of Daniel F. Coburn, resigned. Read and placed on file: And thereupon this Board having proceeded by ballot to the choice of a member of the said Committee on the part of this branch in place of Geo. S. Hewins, deceased, it appeared that Otmyn Brewster was chosen.

Advertising

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the report of the Committee on Printing respecting the City Advertising, with the following amendments viz: at 7. on page 161 insert Evening Ledger instead of Mail. and at 9. insert the word Boston Ledger and the South Boston Mercury each to receive a compensation of one hundred dollars per annum." said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. April 30. 1856.

Assistant Assessor

Notice having been received from the Common Council that Moses Clark who had been chosen an Assistant Assessor for Ward No. 10. had declined, and that Board had chosen Jeremiah N. Coolidge in his stead, said action came up

&c. for concurrence: And the ballots having been taken and counted
April 28. 1856. for said Portland Mayor in Board 10. it appeared that Samuel
A. Coolidge was duly chosen in concurrence.

Appropriations The Joint Special Committee to
whom was referred the Auditors Estimates of the amount of mon-
ey which it will be necessary to raise for the ensuing financial
year of 1856-57, and the ways and means of meeting the same,
have duly considered the subject, and now respectfully submit to
the City Council the result of their deliberations, with sundry orders
for carrying out their suggestions. They propose the following reduc-
tions in the Auditors Estimates for expenditures, viz:

From Bridges,	$1,000
From the Common &c,	2,500
From Internal Health,	600
From Police	5,000
From Paving and Repairs of Streets,	20.000
Being a reduction of	$29.100

The reduction in the Estimates for Paving is made on the ground
that, in the opinion of this Committee, all the work that it will be
absolutely necessary to have done in Paving and Repairing
Streets during the ensuing year, can be done for the sum of
$160.000; and that any new paving which may be proposed during
the year, should be done only on a special vote, authorizing the
same, and be provided for by a new appropriation. Against these
reductions they propose to add, for the Public Library $5,000- this a-
mount being for the anticipated necessary expenditure on a large
quantity of books, the continued bounty of Joshua Bates, Esqr. of
London, to whose munificence this valuable institution owes

so largely indebted. Some of these books have been received, others 185.
are on the way and the trustees desire that they shall all be properly
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ly labelled, covered and catalogued, as soon as received. That no time
may be lost in giving them a proper location in the new Library Build-
ing. The Committee have made no recommendation in this esti-
mate for the necessary sum to complete the Library Building now
in progress; nor for the Extension of Friend Street, as they consider
these items more legitimate subjects for Special Loans, than for im-
mediate Taxation. It will thus be seen that we recommend a total
reduction from the Auditors estimate of $25,100. Should the City Coun-
cil sanction this change the account will stand as follows:

Estimated Expenditure	785.0
Estimated Income,	650.800
Leaving a balance to be raised by Taxation of	$1,826,800

Which by making a proper allowance for loss and abatements would
be met by a gross Tax of about $1,950,000 being but $4000 in excess
of the amount raised in the year 1855. This excess will not necessarily
require any increase of assessment over the rate of that year, as
the increase of Taxable property will be more than sufficient to meet it
All of which is respectfully submitted. For the Committee, Alexander St.
Vice Chairman. In Order relating to the Estimates for
the Financial Year 1856-57. It is hereby ordered by the City Council that
to defray the Expenditures of the City of Boston and the County of Suf-
folk, for the financial year which will commence with the first day of
May, 1856, and end with the last day of April 1857, the following sums
of money be, and the same are hereby respectively appropriated, for
the objects and purposes as explained in the Auditors Estimates, here-
to annexed:- that is to say,-

Annuities- Three hundred dollars, 300

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Armories_ Six thousand five hundred dollars,	6,500
Advertising and Newspapers_ Four thousand five hundred dollars,	4,500
Bells and Clocks_ Fifteen hundred dollars,	1,500
Burial Grounds_ Three thousand five hundred dollars,	3,500
Bridges_ Six thousand five hundred dollars,	6,500
Boston Harbor_ Two thousand five hundred dollars,	2,500
County of Suffolk_ Two hundred thousand dollars,	200,000
Common &c_ Eighteen thousand dollars,	18,000
City Debt_ Sixty thousand dollars,	60,000
External Health Department_ Three thousand dollars,	3,000
Engine, Hook and Ladder and Hose carriage Houses_ Two thousand dollars,	2,000
Engineers' Department_ Five thousand three hundred dollars,	5,300
Fire Department, including the Telegraphic Fire Alarm System_ Eighty nine thousand dollars,	89,000
House of Correction_ Fifty one thousand seven hundred dollars,	51,700
House of Industry, Reformation and Deer Island Hospital, Sixty thousand dollars,	60,000
Internal Health Department_ One hundred and seven thousand dollars,	107,000
Interest_ One hundred and twenty thousand dollars,	120,000
Incidental Expenses_ Forty five thousand dollars,	45,000
Lamps_ One hundred and thirty five thousand dollars,	135,000
Lunatic Hospital Twenty seven thousand dollars,	27,000
Library_ See Public Library.	
Market Rent_ Four thousand five hundred dollars,	4,500
Militia Bounty_ Eleven thousand dollars,	11,000
Ground of the Fort_ Fifty five thousand dollars,	55,000

Old Claims_ Five thousand dollars,		5.000	187.
Paving, Grading and Repairing of Streets_ One hundred and sixty thousand dollars;		160.000	April 28. 1856
Police_ One hundred and ninety one thousand five hundred dollars,		191.500	
Public Building_ Seven thousand five hundred dollars		7.500	
Printing_ eleven thousand dollars,		11.000	
Public Library_ Fifteen thousand dollars.		15.000	
Reserved Fund_ Thirty thousand dollars,		30.000	
Schools_ Three hundred and thirty five thousand dollars, viz:			
Grammar and High School Department:			
Salaries of Instructors, Superintendent, and Secretary of the School Committee,	153.000		
Incidental Expenses and ordinary Repairs on Houses,	40.000		
Extra Repairs and Alterations,	20.000		
	213.000		
Primary School Department:			
Instructors,	75.000		
Incidental Expenses	7.000		
Extra Repairs and Alterations,	20.000	122.000	335.000
Abatement Henry Morrison_ Seven thousand dollars,			7.000
State Tax. One Hundred and sixty seven thousand dollars,			167.000
Sewers and Drains_ Thirty thousand dollars,			30.000
Salaries_ Seventy one thousand dollars,			71.000
Unliquidated Street Claims_ Fifty thousand dollars,			50.000
Widening and Extending Streets_ Fifty thousand dollars,			50.000
Water Works, including Interest on Loans_ Two hundred and thirty seven thousand eight hundred dollars,			237.800
			1,450.000

1856. Say Two Million, Four hundred and eighty five thousand, six hun-
April 30. 1856. dred dollars. And it is further ordered that no expenditure of money
for any purpose not contemplated in the present appropriation bill,
or which may not be fairly considered as provided for in some one
of it specific appropriations, shall be allowed, until special provision
is made therefor by a vote of the City Council; provided however, that
any sums of money which may be subscribed, or contributed by indi-
viduals to promote the object of any of the foregoing appropriations, and
which may be paid in the estimated income of the City, shall be strict-
ly applied according to the intention of the contributors, and shall be
credited to said appropriation accordingly. In Common Council.
Read, accepted and the orders passed. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, April 30. 1856.

Faneuil Hall

And it is further ordered, that no
part of the sum above appropriated shall be expended for the pur-
pose of changing the name under Faneuil Hall into Market Hall.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and
laid on the table.

Tax.

On motion of Alderman Babcock,
the order of the Common Council providing for a Tax of One million
nine Hundred and fifty thousand dollars, (as recorded on page
167) which was laid on the table April 22d was taken therefrom and
was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor. April 30. 1856

Brisco, Tilden, Huntington Hughes.

On the petitions of John Brisco
and wife to be paid for damages sustained by the change of
grade in Tenth Street, of Edwin Tilden to be paid for damages
sustained by change of grade in Gold Street, of Caleb Huntington to be

paid for damages occasioned by change of grade in Queen Stud- 189.
of John S. Hughes to leave to construct coal holes in Washington April 18. 1856.
Stud. The Committee on Paving reported that the several peti
tioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On the petition of Phebe J. Ball | Ball.
to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in South
Street the Committee on Paving reported that the have leave to
withdraw as the sum of Fifty Dollars has once been offered for,
which is deemed sufficient. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the | Jan: Hall
Committee on Faneuil Hall, the use of the Hall was granted to | Tompkins.
Abel Tompkins and others on the 29th inst. for a Univer-
salist Assembly.

Pursuant to the report of the Com- | Price
mittee on Licenses, Edward Price was allowed to give an exhibition
of the Art of Self Defence at the National Theatre on payment of
Five Dollars this evening.

John Lawson, a minor, was duly | Minor
licensed to sell papers &c: on the usual conditions.

Alderman Rich was appointed on | Salaries
the 22nd Special Committee on Salaries in place of Alderman
Merriam deceased. Sent down

On nomination by the Mayor, | Auctioneer
Daniel F. Lincoln was appointed an Auctioneer at 155 Cambridge
Street.

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The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the notice of intention to build by Jos. A Swan &c &c on Harrison Avenue, reported that no action is required thereon. Accepted.

Hendley vs. Th. Read.

On petition of James Hendley and others that Fayette Street be so graded as to confirm to the existing grade of Church Street the Committee on Paving reported in favor of such a grade upon the Matters giving to the City of Boston a bond to claim no damages whatever in consequence of said grading. Read and laid on the table.

Dyer vs. Congress Road.

Agreeably to notice E. E. Dyer appeared & remonstrated against the proposed widening of Congress Street by taking his land whereupon the subject was laid upon the table.

Votes Com[n] on

Aldermen Rich and Cheever were appointed a Committee to examine the returns of votes cast this day for an Alderman in place of Levi S. Bartlett, deceased and for a Register of Deeds.

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at eleven o'Clock, Am

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Twenty ninth day of April Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Coleman.

Petition of J. Sewall and others that leave be granted them to enter the drain in Lau Sewall.
Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Remonstrance of William S. Perry Perry
Vose and others against the proposed discontinuance of a portion Lincoln Street.
of Lincoln Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Ordered: That there be paid to John H. Dix the sum of Five thousand seven hundred and eighty Dix.
six Dollars in land taken to widen Tremont Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge in all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, April 29. 1856.

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized and directed to sell at Public Auction on such terms as they shall deem expedient the lot of land belonging to the City on the corner of West Cedar and Pierce Streets. Said lot of land in the opinion of the City Council and School Committee not being wanted for School purposes. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 2. 1856. West Cedar and Pierce Streets.

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Central Wharves.

The Committee on Streets found among the unfinished business of last year, a communication from the proprietors of Long and Central Wharves, proposing, for a consideration, to widen the street north of the Boston Custom House and between a block of building which they propose to build over the Dock between the two wharves of the companies; and as such occupancy of the Dock would disturb the drain of the City, which discharges into said dock and as the matter will require concurrent action; we would recommend that the subject be referred to a joint select Committee of the City Council. For the Committee, John I. Dingley, Chairman. Read and accepted, and Aldermen Dingley, Kenney and Brewster were appointed on said Committee on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred, and Messrs Frost, Farnsworth and Burbank were joined.

Taylor

Ordered: That the salary of Robert Taylor late Chief of Police be continued and paid up to the end of the current month. Sent down for concurrence. April 30. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 2d 1856.

Aldermen votes for

The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes given for one Alderman in place of Eli B. Hexiam, deceased, and also for a Register of Deeds for the County of [illegible] having attended to that duty, report that the returns are properly made and the votes correctly recorded in the Book kept for that purpose from which it appears that Jeremiah Middleton having a majority of votes has been duly elected an Alderman of this city. The Committee also [illegible]

the election of a Register of Deeds for the County of Suffolk. Ald Rich [illegible] Committee [illegible] and accepted and the City Clerk was directed to notify Mr. Wightman of his election. | 193 [illegible]

The Directors of the House of Industry presented to the Board their report of their receipts and expenditures for the preceding year, which was laid on the table and six hundred copies ordered to be printed. | House of Industry

Joseph M. Wightman, Alderman elect, having appeared, was duly qualified in due form of law by the Mayor who administered to him the oaths of office required by law. | Alderman qualified

The Chair appointed Alderman Brewster on the Committee on the Fire Department vice Levi B. Merriam, deceased - and Alderman Wightman was appointed on all Joint Standing Committees of the City Council the Standing Committees of this Board, and also on all Special Committees where vacancies now exist by the death of Alderman Merriam. | Committees filled.

Alderman Rich having resigned as a member of the Committee on Lamps, Ald Rich and Alderman Gilbow was appointed thereon in his stead. | Lamps

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fifth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Jurors — Four Grand and Five Petit Jurors were drawn for the United States Circuit Court and Five Grand Jurors for the Municipal Court.

Manley — Petition of John R. Manley and others that Newton and Weymouth Streets be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Hayden — Petition of Lewis Hayden and others for use of Faneuil Hall June 11. 1856. for a Masonic Levee. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Merriam
Pierce
Gray. — Petition of Charles Merriam and others that the Chauncy Street sewer may be relaid. of Daniel Pierce for leave to construct a sewer in the lower part of Hancock Street. of John C. Gray that the Court Street sewer near Scollay's building may be relaid. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Boyden. — Petition of John C. Boyden to be compensated for damages occasioned by the extension of Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Wentworth — Petition of Enoch Wentworth and others that Sudbury Street be widened between Portland and Friend Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Rogers
Portland. — Petition of Geo. S. Rogers and others that Union Park be paved with the Nicolson Pavement, &

Joseph Ballard and others that Province Street may be repaved — | May 5. 1836
of Ebenezer Johnson, and others, that Chestnut Street, west of Charles | Johnson.
Street, may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of A. G. Howe for the grade | Howe.
of Fourth Street between G & H. Streets — of Edward C. Cabot that the | Cabot.
grade of Allen and Blossom Streets, near the Massachusetts Gen-
eral Hospital may be given to him. Referred to the Committee on
Paving.

Remonstrance of George A. Simmons | Simmons.
and others against raising the grade of Fenton Street. Referred to
the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Cushing Barnes and | Barnes.
others that Fenton Street may be macadamized. Referred to the
Committee on Paving.

Petition of Owen Huff for leave to | Huff
erect a Stable on Tyler Street. Referred to the Committee on the
Fire Department.

Petition of Amos Cutler and others | Cutler
to be heard respecting the proposed bridging of Albany Street over the | Albany Street
Worcester Rail Road. Read and Monday next at four and a half
o'clock, P.M., was assigned as the time for said hearing.

Agreeably to the recommenda- | Fire Dept.
tion of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the nomina- | officers.
tions of Officers for Engine companies 6. 11. and Hook and Ladder
company No. 1. were approved by the Board.

On nomination by the | City Crier
Mayor, George Hill was appointed City Crier until the first of May next.

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City Clerk

The report of the City Clerk, showing that he had received and paid into the City Treasury during the quarter ending April 30. the sum of Five hundred and forty six dollars twenty one cents, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Inspectors

William E. Snyder was nominated and appointed Inspector at the Northern Sales.

Police

William F. Briggs was appointed a Special Police Officer for Charles River and Warren Bridges.

Police

David Briggs was appointed a Special Police Officer at Copps Hill Cemetery.

Auctioneer

L. L. Rice was appointed an Auctioneer at 25 Kilby Street.

City Treasurer

The report of the City Registrar showing that he had received during the quarter ending Apl 30th and paid into the City Treasury the sum of Four hundred and fifty five dollars and seventy five cents, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Jurors list accepted.

The Common Council having concurred with this board in the selection of a list of Jurors with these amendments - add to Ward 11. William S. McGouran, erased from Ward 2. Amos A. Dunnels - Ward 11. F. F. Thayer & William Foy Richardson, said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Inspectors

The report of the Inspectors of the Northern Scales showing that he had received the sum of Six hundred ninety three dollars and twenty nine cents during

the quarter ending April 30th 1836 for one of which he had paid | 1st
into the Treasury was read and sent down. In common Council. May 2. 1836
Placed on file.

The Superintendent of Fan- | Market
uil Hall Market reported that he had received and paid into the
City Treasury during the quarter ending April 30. the sum of seven
thousand eight hundred fourteen dollars and fifty five cts. Read
and placed on file.

Petition of William Thomas & | Thomas
David Kimball, Trustees of Mass. Block, for an abatement of tax.
Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down
for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred.

Petition of Henry A. Davis, City | Davis
Sealer to be furnished with a set of Weights and Measures. Refer-
red to the Committee on the Treasury. Sent down for concurrence
May 8. Came up concurred.

Petition of the German Catholic | German
Church for an extension of time on a bond given by said Church | Cath: Church
to the City for land sold on Federal and Fremont Sts. Referred
to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. May
8. Came up concurred.

The resignation of Frederick | Engineer
A. Colburn as an Assistant Engineer of the Boston Fire Depart- | resigns
ment was accepted and sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came
up concurred.

Notice was received from the | Com: Council
Common Council that in the absence of the President of that | President
body on the 30th ultimo, Joseph Story was elected President pro tempore. | pro tem.

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Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings have further time to report upon the subject of Female Jail Cells. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856

Whitman

Petition of Isaiah J Whitman to be paid for personal injuries received by the defective Road &c. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred.

Cook Harbor Master

The Common Council having referred to the Committee on the Harbor the communication of Capt. Samuel Cook respecting his office of Harbor Master, said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Langford

Petition of William Langford to be paid for personal injuries sustained in Chelsea Street, East Boston. was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Assistant Assessors

A communication was received from Geo. E. Randall resigning his office as an Assistant Assessor & the same was accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred:-

Assistant Assessors

And thereupon the ballots having been taken and counted for an Assistant Assessor in place of the said Randall resigned it appeared that Thomas Swinburne was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred.

Jail Yards

The Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition for the removal of obstructions from the

tain lots known as Jail Lands ask further time to report, and submit 199.
the following order in accordance with their request. Mr. the Com'n of
Lee. F. A. Washburn. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands May 5. 1856.
be allowed further time to report on the petition committed to them,
for the removal of restrictions on certain lots of land known as Jail
Lands. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856.

The joint Standing Committee Wells.
on Water to whom was referred the petition of E. M. P. Wells concerning
the use of the Cochituate Water for St Stephen's Chapel, having con-
sidered the same, report: That they recommend that Mr. Wells be
allowed for the use of Water for the St Stephen's Chapel the same as
last year. For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor, May 9. 1856.

The ballots having been taken Cochituate
and counted for a Cochituate Water Board, it appeared that John Water Board.
F. Wilkins, Jonathan Preston, John T. Dingley, Samuel Hatch Charles
Holdard, Thomas P. Rich, and Hisdale Drake were chosen. Sent down
for concurrence. May 8 Came up concurred.

Whereas Several bills against Payments
of the City of Boston, for refreshments furnished to members of com- order regarding
mittees of the City Council, while on duty, during the present mu- bills for
nicipal year have been rejected by the Committee on Accounts be-
cause said Committee are desirous of checking an evil which has
heretofore existed in the City Government and also because said Com-
mittee find in the Ordinances of the City or Rules and Orders
of the City Council no authority for approving such bills, therefore,

Con. May 5. 1856. and in order that said Committee on Accounts may have some definite instruction in the premises, it is Hereby Ordered: That the Committee on Accounts be and they are hereby authorized to approve the said several bills already incurred, to the amount of thirty three dollars ($33.) and that in future the Committee on Accounts be authorized to approve such bills for refreshments which may hereafter be incurred by members of this City Council as shall be deemed by said Committee just and reasonable - provided, said bills are approved in writing by each and every member of the City Council for whom refreshments are furnished or by whom such bills are incurred. Sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 9. 1856.

Police Badges. Ordered: That the City furnish and pay the expense of the Silver Badges required to be worn by Police Officers, and, that the Chief of Police be directed to refund to the several Police Officers now having such badges, the amount paid by them for the same; said badges to be the property of the City, and to be kept in charge of the Chief of Police, and by him to be given out with the warrants of appointment, and to be returned to him in all cases of vacancy. The cost of such badges to be paid as special debt upon the Treasurer and charged to Incidental Expenses. Sent down for concurrence. May 8th Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 9. 1856.

City Hall Enlargement. The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings having reported to the City Council (as per City Document No 31.) in favor of an enlargement of the City Hall it was ordered that the same subject to the report of the Committee

tee on Public Buildings respecting repairs and alterations of the City Hall be recommitted to said Committee with authority to procure plans and estimates of said repairs and alterations, or of a new building, or of both at their discretion. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856. 201. May 5. 1856.

Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee on the expediency of selling the City's North Wharf take into consideration the expediency of purchasing another wharf in that section of the City and report upon what terms they can obtain a wharf suitable for the City's use. Sent down for concurrence. May 7. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 10. 1856. City Wharf. new one.

The Joint Standing Committee on Water to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to Water having considered the subject report that action on the same is unnecessary. For the Committee, F. D. Lingley, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred. Water.

Ordered: That the Standing Committee on External Health be authorized to sell the Quarantine Boat, with full discretion as to the time, manner and terms of sale. Sent down for concurrence. May 8. Came up concurred. Transmitted to the Mayor for approval. May 9. Approved by the Mayor May 20. 1856. Quarantine Boat.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Fleet Street from Commercial to Hanover Streets, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close Fleet Street.

202. all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance
May 5. 1856. with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor. May 6. 1856.

Common Street. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Common Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856.

Federal Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Federal Street from South Boston Bridge to East End, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the city. Approved by the Mayor. May 6. 1856.

Pleasant Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Pleasant Street from Marion to Providence Street and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856.

Mount Wash.n Avenue Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Mount Washington Avenue from Federal Street to the Bridge, and make such changes in

the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856.

Mount Washington Avenue.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Mount Washington Avenue from Federal Street to the Bridge, to law their Sidewalks with brick within thirty days of the date of this order, the said Avenue having been ordered to be paved.

Register of Deeds chosen.

The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes given on the twenty eighth day of April last for a Register of Deeds for the County of Suffolk, having attended to that duty report, that the returns were duly received from all the Wards of the City of Boston and from Chelsea and Winthrop, and the votes are correctly recorded in the Book Kept for that purpose, from which it appears that Henry Heine having a plurality of votes is duly elected. No return was received from North Chelsea. Otis Rich, James Cheever Committee. Read and accepted.

Fremont Street Sidewalks.

Ordered: That the width of the sidewalks on Fremont Street from Dover Street to the Roxbury line be fifteen feet on each side from the line of said Street.

Dyer Congress Street.

The order of notice on the subject of the proposed widening of Congress Street by taking land of E. E. Dyer was taken from the table, and was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

May 5. 1856. Summer Street. rescinded on p. 255.

Ordered: That the City Engineer be directed to make a survey of Summer Street below Broad and Federal Streets. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to clear all obstructions from the above mentioned part of Summer Street, and to protect the City Engineer and his assistants in making the survey of said part of Summer Street.

South Burial Ground.

Ordered: That the Standing Committee on Cemeteries be authorized, if they shall deem it expedient, to remove the bodies of paupers now deposited in the tombs on the rear of the South Burial Ground to some other place of interment. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856.

Flounder Alley. Tileston.

The committee on laying out and widening Streets, to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Tileston that Flounder Alley may be discontinued, respectfully report the accompanying Order, thereby discontinuing a certain portion of said Flounder Alley, so called, as a public street according to a certain plan dated this fifth day of May 1856. made by the City Engineer and deposited with the Board of Aldermen. For the Committee, John H. Dingley, Chairman. Ordered:- That the Board hereby discontinue a portion of Flounder Alley, so called bounded and described as follows: viz: Northwesterardly by land of the heirs of Tileston, there measuring twenty two feet and 5/10. Northeasterardly by the same fifteen feet and 5/10. Southeasterardly by land of T. Tileston twenty two feet and 3/10 and Southwesterardly on Flounder Alley, fifteen feet and 3/10 containing three hundred and seventy one square feet and one quarter more or less. The said portion being shown in blue and marked A. on a plan made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated May 5th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said

Board of Aldermen. Provided, however, that the petitioner for the said discontinuance shall agree to indemnify the city of Boston for all damages by reason of such discontinuance. Read, accepted and the order passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856. In Board engrossed.

Congress Street Lyce.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Congress Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to C. C. Lyce bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Congress Street, there measuring thirty nine feet and $^{86}/_{100}$; Southwardly by land of Thomas H. Coffin two rod and $^{44}/_{100}$; Eastwardly by the present line of Congress Street, thirty nine feet and $^{67}/_{100}$, and Northwardly by the same three feet and $^{39}/_{100}$ Containing one hundred and fourteen square feet and $^{2}/_{10}$, more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated April 28th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Congress street, as aforesaid, will amount to Six hundred and eighty four dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Approved by the Mayor, May 6. 1856.

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Treasury.

At the suggestion of a member of the Joint Standing Committee on the Treasury Department, Alderman Wightman was appointed Chairman of said Committee.

County Accounts.

At the suggestion of a member of the Committee on County Accounts, Alderman Wightman was appointed Chairman of said Committee.

County Expenses.

At the suggestion of a member of the Joint Special Committee on County Expenses, Alderman Wightman was appointed Chairman of that Committee.

Accounts Com^e

Alderman Brewster announced to the Board that Farnham Plummer had been elected Chairman of the Committee on Accounts.

Ordinances

Alderman Wightman was appointed on the Committee on Ordinances in place of Alderman Codman resigned and Alderman Codman was appointed a member of the Committee on Claims in place of Alderman Wightman resigned, sent down.

Claims.

House of Industry.

On motion of Alderman Codman the subject of the election of a Board of Visitors of the House of Industry was assigned to May 19th at ten and a half o'clock AM

Metropolitan Rail Road vacation

The President of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company having Voted to the Board that by reason of the engagements of his counsel he should be unable to proceed with the hearing on the subject of an extension of the vacation of Milk Street which was assigned for this afternoon, the subject was postponed

until Thursday next at four and a half o'clock P.M. 207.

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Martin Nolan having desired Nolan.
leave to withdraw his notice of intention to build on Merrimac Street, the Committee on Streets granted permission & the same accepted.

Petition of William D. Farren for Farren.
a change of the restrictions on a lot of land at South Boston sold by the City to Charles Vinal in 1835. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands in concurrence.

Agreeably to the report of the Com- Minor
mittee on Licenses leave was granted to James Sweeny, a minor, to sell papers.

On the petition of William Knierie- Knierieman
man for leave to establish a riding School on the Public Garden the Committee on the Common reported that as the petitioner desires to exhibit his riding school in some other place within the City, the matter be referred to the Committee on Licenses. Read and accepted.

Alderman Jackson submitted to the South
Board the following order. Whereas certain streets have been laid out Boston
in South Boston & only twenty feet in width which are open to pub- Lay'd Streets
lic travel, and as it is not conducive to the safety of the public that they should remain in their present condition, it is therefore, Ordered: That the City of Boston will accept and dedicate as public highways said streets whenever the abutters upon said streets respectively will give the City of Boston a bond to claim no damages whatever of said City of Boston upon the grading of said streets to a regular and uniform grade for each street. Read and laid on the table.

Adjourned to Thursday next at four o'clock PM

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Eighth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Kendall and Codman.

Jones — Petition of William Jones for leave to construct a wharf on the South Free Bridge to aid him in sprinkling the streets with salt water. Referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Glasgow Address. — The Mayor presented to the Board an Address of the citizens of Glasgow, Scotland, praying the citizens of Boston to use their influence to preserve amicable relations between Great Britain and the United States. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Revere — Petition of George Revere to be paid for damages occasioned by an alteration of his drain in South Boston Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Evans Utica Street. Crooker — Petition of Franklin Evans and others that Utica Street may be paved from Tufts to Beach Street & of Ralph Crooker and others that Mount Washington Avenue be paved with the "Nicolson pavement." Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Revere — Petition of George Revere to be paid for damages sustained by the change of grade in South Boston Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Parkman — Petition of George Parkman's heirs to be paid for an additional piece of land taken in North Russ Street and also for a piece of land taken to extend Charles Street. Referred

to the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

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A communication from John Fairbanks notifying the City that he had fenced up a portion of the sidewalk at No. 616 Pearl Street to protect his claim thereto. Read and placed on file.

Fairbanks
Pearl Street.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road within this City. Selig W. Chandler and H. F. Durant, Esquires counsel for the company, introduced testimony in favor of the location of a single track from Essex Street through Washington Street to Boylston Street, and through Boylston Street to Tremont Street, and after argument by said counsel, the hearing was closed.

Metropolitan Rail Road.

Whereas the Committee on Paving made a report upon the petition of H. N. Wingate and others on the twenty eighth of April last past accompanied with an order which by its terms was an order to extend Lehigh Street from South Street to Sea Street and therein ordering the Chief of Police to notify the parties who have obstructions on said portion Street as extended, to remove the same within ten days of the date of said order and if not so removed then for the said Chief of Police to cause the same to be removed. And Whereas said order is not in conformity with the prayer of said petition inasmuch as the petitioners assumed that said Lehigh Street was already laid out to Sea Street and asked therefore only that said Street should be put in suitable order for travel, and whereas said order for laying out should have preceded from another Committee of this Board and should have been preceded by an order of notice to

Lehigh Street

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parties in interest, it is therefore Ordered: That the order above recited be and the same is hereby rescinded and the report of said Committee be committed to the Standing Committee on laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, May 9. 1856.

Tuant Officer.

On nomination by the Mayor, Edw. F. Pitblado was appointed an Officer to take charge of Truant Children and Absentees from School, in place of Nathaniel Seaver.

Summer Street survey

Alderman Bonney moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Board at its last meeting passed two orders, one for the survey of Summer Street and the other for the Chief of Police to protect the City Engineer while making such survey, and the question being on the adoption of said motion, five members voted in the affirmative and five in the negative: so that the motion did not prevail.

Hayden Fan: Hall.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Faneuil Hall leave was granted to Lewis Hayden and others to use said Hall on the 24th day of June next for a Masonic Levee, on the usual conditions.

Intelligence office.

Leave was granted to Joseph Pulsifer to keep an Intelligence Office at No. 105. Pleasant Street.

Treasurer's Accounts

Frederic W. Tracy, City and County Treasurer, presented to the City Council his Annual Accounts for the Financial Year 1855-56. Referred to the Committee on the Treasury Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Tremont Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public road or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Robert S. Apthorp and H. C. Apthorp bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the present line of widening of Tremont Street, One hundred feet measuring forty four feet; Northwardly by land of H. H. Richardson and others, Eastwardly by the present line of Tremont Street, forty four feet, and Southwardly by other land of the said Apthorps, eleven feet and $\frac{53}{100}$: containing five hundred and eight square feet and $\frac{5}{10}$ more or less And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described be, and the same hereby is, taken, and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a Plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated February 12th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Tremont Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Twenty five hundred and forty two dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 26. 1856.

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Tremont Street.
Apthorp.

The Mayor nominated to the Board for confirmation the following Officers and members of the Police Department viz: Luther A. Ham, and Ezekiel Cook, Deputy Chiefs of Police. Horace G. Barnes, Clerk. Captains. Edward H. Jar-

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age. 2. William H. Jones. 3. Samuel G. Adams. 4. William P. Galen. 5. George M. King. 6. Robert Taylor. 7. Nathaniel Shaw. 8. William B. Tarleton.— Lieutenants— 1. Nathaniel G. Davis, Arnold C. Whitcomb. 2. Jairus Nash. Oliver Whitcomb. 3. Jas Morrill Stephen Curtis. 4. Erin N. Hunt. vacancy 5. Cyrus Snad, William Chadbourn. 6. James D. Russell, George Smith. 7. James Adams, Alvin S. Drew. 8. William C. Hough.— Members— Galen Holmes, Jr. Simon F. Wright, Silas Warren, Cyrus C. Nash, John M. Dunn, Joseph B. Blanchard, William W. Currier, John Gourday. Ephraim Dow. Nathaniel Emerson, Charles L. Davis George N. Hutchinson, Amos Wilson, Capt G. Perkins, Thomas H. Jones, Benjamin P. Miller, John V. Noyes, Albert Ostrander, Joseph T. Prescott, Alonzo C. Peck, George C. Richard, William H. Reed, Samuel Rea, Cromwell G. Rowell, Ebenezer Shute, Robert Trout, Charles L. Tasker, Francis A. Turner, Erin C. Warren, Enos Wingall, Joseph N. Warren, Isaac H. Williams, George N. Wilkins, Charles H. Wiant, William H. Bean, John Beadman, Miram T. Bean, Uriel W. Bartlett Benjamin L. Bailey, John C. Bartlett, Amos Briggs, Capt A. Brands, Jacob H. Currier, Chase Cole, Mark Chase, Amos Dodge, Ashbel D. Earl, Joseph Elkins, Arthur N. Goodwin, Sumner Lee, C. D. Hutchins, Daniel M. Hall, Allen Travis, W. T. Hicks, William N. Howard, George H. Hilburn, Ivan Simeon, Henry Fuds, William Lapell Erick Lock, Charles Merrow, James Mc Crillis, George P. Miller, George W. Oliver, Samuel Preston, Edwin P. Peterson, Abraham Smith, Thomas M. Stevens, Samuel N. Searry, Alvin M. Turner, Paul J. Vinal, Jonas C. Warren, Joshua W. Adams, Lorenzo Burton, Lucius L. Buck, Octavius Boston, Hiram Bradman, Samuel Covell, Franklin Comee, Dexter Caneday, William Conner, John B. Eastman, Francis T. Flanders, Daniel Hancock, Tobias N. Haley, John L. Henry, Nathaniel C. Lowell, Abraham C. Mace, Edward J. Newhall, Charles P. Philbrick. J. J. Q.

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ca A. A. Eastwick, Joseph C. Gray, Chauncey Smith, Ira Southworth
Alden K. Sturtevant, Thomas Dixon, Jr., Thos. W. Sullivan,
Jonathan W. Baker, Alfred G. Chase, Augustus Clark, Benjamin Corlew,
Hiram C. Drew, C. Edwd. Dodd, David M. Foster, Isaac Foster, Seth P. Fox,
Solomon L. Foster, Ephraim W. Farr, Amos C. Foster, Chas. H. Hankins,
Samuel Hinkson, Mark F. Hinckley, Samuel F. Hunt, James B. Heath,
Ezra L. Lynch, Philip Langley, J. B. Merrick, David F. Mason, Chas H.
Morey, G. C. Maynard, Daniel W. Neal, John M. Penniman, John
Penis, Josiah L. Perkins, Amos M. Sargent, Leroy A. Smith,
Curtis Smith, James G. Smith, John S. Stark, J. P. Thompson, Archibald
C. Turle, Ruben W. Twitchell, W. C. Thaxter, Isaac Tufts, George F.
Wilson, Ezra Whiting, J. B. Webster, Stearns Barney, Charles J. Cheney,
Moses A. Capen, Thomas Cole, Chas L. Cook, Truman C. Crawford, George
W. Chase, Edwd C. Dodd, F. Lyford B. Graves, Charles M. Huggins, Augus
Leighton, Luther Hunt, Charles Morris, Thomas S. Prouty, Daniel B.
Rowe, Edward P. Richardson, James P. Rice, Adam Sylvester, S. G.
Stillings, William Vaughan, Hiraham Whiting, Amos C. Weiss, W. H.
Haynes, Jesse Batchelder, Charles Carr, Samuel Crane, Howard A.
Dee, Joseph B. Emerson, Jesse S. French, William S. Haynes, Selina
Haughton, Alvan Howard, Isaac Merrick, George F. Johnson, Isaac S.
Kimball, Richard Lang, Granville Leland, George N. Morse, Joseph S.
Paget, Joseph S. Perkins, James Simonds, Frederick Shedd, F. John F.
Sanborn, John R. Tafft, John York, William Austin, Jonathan Aiken, Josh
Bosworth, J. A. Burton, Charles Burrill, Sylvester Brown, L. P. Crocker,
Daniel S. Gould, Jonathan Hopkins, James Jewett, Thomas Johnson,
William Morgan, Martin Manuel, George F. Robinson, Nathan Merrill,
Albert W. Scott, C. F. Shackford, Lucius Wood, Jeremiah F. Colby, Josiah
Livermore, George F. Leonard, Frederick A. Moore, James H. Newcomb, Jo-
seph H. Parks, William Prescott, Jr. J. M. Roberts, C. W. Wellman. Read and

all the foregoing nominations were confirmed by the Board.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twelfth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856 at eleven o'Clock A.M.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Kendall, Wightman, Dingley, and Brewster.

Thirty two Traverse Jurors were drawn for the second session of the Superior Court of the County of Suffolk.

Adjourned to this afternoon at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twelfth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Chairman, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Kendall and Wightman.

Petition of Brown and Chick for leave to build a Stable in Albany Street, near Oak Street and a remonstrance of John Sullivan and others against the erection of said Stable. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. — Brown. — Sullivan.

Remonstrance of L. A. Pickering and others against the rebuilding of the Tenement within the Factory at South Boston, which was destroyed by fire. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. — Pickering

Petition of Roger Drury for leave to water Franklin Square and East Brookline Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health with full power. — Drury

Petition of the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company for the use of Faneuil Hall and a portion of the Common on the second day of June next. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. — Ancient & Hon: Artillery Company

Petition of J. M. Barnard & Co. for a License to Manufacture Spirituous Liquors in this city. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Barnard

Petition of Spalding & Rogers for leave to exhibit a Circus on the Public Garden for one week. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Spalding

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for extension of their track through Washington, Winter, Court and Cornhill Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving — Metropolitan Rail Road.

May 12. 1856. Simson. Petition of A. G. Simson and others for use of a room in Boylston School House wherein to hold a Sabbath School. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. May 15. Came up concurred.

Mackenzie. Petition of Charles Mackenzie to be paid for personal injuries sustained by him in Tremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 15. Came up concurred.

Springfield Street School House. A request of the School Committee for ventilators and furnaces at the New School House in Springfield Street. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Mather School House. A request of the School Committee for certain alterations in the Mather School House when vacated. Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Public Buildings. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Haven & Co. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to pay George H. Haven & Co thirty seven dollars and eighty seven cents for articles furnished for the Water Works in March & April last, provided their bill in the same be approved and audited in the usual manner. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 14. 1856.

Colburn. Ordered: That the annual salary of the Secretary of the Board of Engineers of Boston Fire Department be paid to Frederick A. Colburn during the period of his service in that office, from December 1st 1855. to April 1st 1856 and the amount

to be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Sent down for concurrence. May 15. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856. | 21 May 12. 1856.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby requested to consider and report upon the expediency of selling the primary School House in Franklin Street and the erection of a more convenient building for a School House and Ward Room. Sent down for concurrence. May 16. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856. | Franklin Stred School House Ward Room No 7

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of the Thirteenth Baptist Society for the gift of a lot of land whereon to erect a house of worship. having duly considered the subject respectfully submit the following Report: That as the City has not in any instance given away the Public Lands, the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred. | Thirteenth Baptist Society.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Wm. L. Farren for a change of restrictions on a lot of land at South Boston, have duly considered the same and submit the following Report: That no action is necessary to be taken on said petition. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 15. Came up concurred. | Farren

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Charles A. Hunt, to be paid for damage done to his house in Cliff Street by the upsetting of a | Hunt

218 Board of Aldermen, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City
May 12. 1856. liable for damages in the premises, they therefore recommend that
the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Shaw
er, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May
16. Came up concurred.

Institutions Visiters &c. consolidation

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances take into consideration the expediency of framing an Ordinance by which the various boards of Directors, Overseers and Visiters of the Institutions of the City can be consolidated into one Board to have supervision over those Institutions. Sent down for concurrence. May 15 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, the following persons were appointed Police Officers of this City, George H. Mears, Thomas L. Adams, Seyman W. Gould, David Kimball, Benjamin Heath, George Hill, City Crier was appointed a Special Police Officer.

Special Police

House of Correction Workshops

A message from the Mayor, transmitting a notice from the Overseers of the House of Correction of the burning of the workshops of that Institution on the morning of the eleventh instant, was read and referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Maynard

On petition of James A. Maynard for leave to place a stone to protect a tree on the corner of Chelsea and Marion Streets the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Bickford

On petition of James Bickford for leave to construct Coal Holes under the sidewalk in Webster and Village Streets, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Stephen Noyes | Noyes
to be compensated for damage sustained by change of grade in | May 13. 1856.
Bennington Road the Committee on Paving reported leave to | Bennington
withdraw. Read and accepted. | Road.

On petition of Coleman Cook | Cook
that Monmouth Street be graded from Meridian to White Street, | Monmouth
the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw, as the Superintendent of Streets can do all that is needed to grade the Street without special order. Read and accepted. | Street.

Henry Alline lately chosen Regis- | Register
ter of Deeds presented to the Board his Bond for the faithful dis- | of Deeds bond.
charge of the duties of his said office, which was read and approved.

Ordered: That there be paid to | Kelly
Martin Kelly the sum of One hundred dollars for damages occasioned to the change of grade of Arnold Street and Thurmond Avenue upon his giving his title to his estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Approved by the Mayor. May 14. 1856.

Ordered: That there be paid to Eliz. | Shaw
Shaw the sum of four hundred dollars in land taken to widen Red Cedar Street, also including a certain wooden dwelling house, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking: and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, May 14. 1856.

May 12. 1856.
Third Stud.
A Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Third Stud from Second Stud to A. Street, and A. Street from Third Street to Dorchester Avenue, in conformity with the established grade and remove all such projections on the line of said Stud as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Stud not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856.

A. Stud.
Third Stud.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abuttors on Third Stud from Second to A Stud and on A. Stud from Second to Dorchester Avenue to lay their Sidewalks with brick within thirty days. The said Streets having been ordered to be paved.

Barnes
Trenton Stud.

On the petition of Cushing Barnes Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to set edge stones and pave the gutters in Trenton Stud between Meridian and Brooks Street, in front of the lands and estates of those parties who have signed the petition of Cushing Barnes and others, agreeing to pay the City for the edgestone: - Also that the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade and gravel the said Stud. Approved May 17. 1856.

Crane
Orleans Stud.

On the petition of P.M. Crane Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Orleans Stud from Sumner to Webster Studs in conformity with the established grade and remove all such projections on the line of said Stud as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Stud not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Orleans Street from Webster to Lemon Street to lay their Sidewalks with brick within thirty days. The Street having been ordered to be paved. | May 12. 1856. Orleans Street.

On the petition of Samuel C. Field. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Maverick Street from Maverick Square to Bremen Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856. | Field Maverick Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Maverick Street from Maverick Square to Bremen Street to lay their Sidewalks with brick within thirty days. The Street having been ordered to be paved. | Maverick Street.

On petition of William G. Barstow. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Marginal Street from Orleans Street to the westerly end of Grand Junction Wharf, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856. | Barstow Marginal Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Marginal Street from Orleans Street to the westerly end of Grand Junction Wharf to lay their Sidewalks with brick within thirty days. The Street having | Marginal Street.

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iron ordered to be paved.

Porter Street. Marion Street. Brooks Street. Putnam Street. Prescott Street. Decatur Street. Chelsea Street.

Ordered: That Porter Street, from Chelsea Street to Central Square; Marion Street from Chelsea to White Street; Brooks Street, from Chelsea to Condor Street; Putnam Street, from Chelsea to Condor Street; Prescott Street from Chelsea to Trenton Street; Decatur Street, from Bremen to Meridian Street; and Chelsea Street, the whole width, from Decatur Street to the Chelsea Free Bridge, be and the same hereby are accepted by the City of Boston as public streets, and are hereby dedicated as highways, provided that the East Boston Company will give a deed or deeds of the land embraced in said several streets to the City of Boston. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856.

Meridian Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Meridian Street, from White to Condor Streets. Approved by the Mayor, May 17. 1856.

Police Committee.

Ordered: That a Committee of three on the part of this Board be appointed on the Police Department, and that such subjects as are necessary to be referred to the Police be referred to said Committee unless otherwise ordered. Passed and Alderman Tingley, Goldman and Wightman were appointed said Committee.

Hearings

On motion of Alderman Jackson, Alderman Calnow was appointed Chairman of the Committee on Hearings, Bells and Clocks.

Metropolitan Rail Road

Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on Washington Street between Dover and Boylston Streets, and on Boylston Street between Tremont and Washington Streets, that this Board intend to extend the location, already

granted to the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, by the construction of a single track through said portions of Washington and Ogden Streets:- and that Thursday the twenty ninth day of May instant, at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections, which may be made thereto.

Whereas the Cambridge Rail Road Company have in accordance with the terms of location granted by the Board of Mayor and Aldermen Dec 4th 1854. and accepted by said Cambridge Railroad Company, constructed tracks in Cambridge Street and have not done the work of repaving the portion of said Street taken up for the purpose of laying the track to the satisfaction of the Board of Aldermen and the Superintendent of Streets inasmuch as portions of said Cambridge Street are unsafe for public travel, it is ordered: That the Cambridge Railroad Company be notified to forthwith repave so much of Cambridge Street taken up by said Railroad Company, as has not been repaved this year.

Cambridge Rail Road Co

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed bridging of Albany Street over the track of the Worcester Rail Road: and Samuel M. Felton Esq. having stated to the Board the objections to said measure, as entertained by Amos Cutter and others, the petition of said parties for a hearing was laid upon the table- and the Board

Cutter

Albany Street.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

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At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the nineteenth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Hyer

Petition of Francis Hyer for leave to move a wooden building across Foundry Street, referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Baker

Petition of E. H. Baker for leave to construct Coal Arches under the sidewalk in Broadway. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hatch
Lewis
Fuller.

Petition of Samuel Hatch and others that Lowell Street be paved from East to Fulton Street — of William H. Lewis and others that Belcher Lane may be paved, & Cross Street that Emerald Street be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Cambridge Rail Road Co.

Petition of the Cambridge Railroad Company for permission to lay down a double track in Cambridge Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Mass: Med: Coll:
Fruit Street.

Petition of the Massachusetts Medical College that Fruit Street be accepted its entire length. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Bailey.

Petition of George Bailey to be paid for damage sustained by the construction of the Church Street Sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Drake
Bellows.

Petition of Jordan Drake & others that a Sewer may be constructed in Federal Street between and East Streets — of E. A. Bullen that a Sewer be laid in Bowker Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of George W. Merrick that Athens Street between C. & F. Street may be opened. of John Luther and others, that Granite Street be extended to Second Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. May 19. 1856. Merrick Luther.

Petition of Thomas B. Wales and others that Providence Street be lighted. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. Wales Providence St.

Petitions of Daniel D. Welch, William C. Greene, and John H. Tomlinson to be licensed as Auctioneers. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Welch, Greene. Tomlinson.

Petition of William Hughes for leave to exhibit a Pedestrian Feat at the Pacific Hall of Portland &c for leave to exhibit a Circus at South Boston from 5. 1856. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Hughes Portland.

Petition of Francis Jackson and others for use of Faneuil Hall, May 28th for an Anti Slavery meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall, with full power. Jackson. Faneuil Hall.

On motion of Alderman Bonney the order of the City Council, which was laid on the table April 28th respecting certain amendments to the City Charter and appointing a Joint Special Committee thereon was taken from the table and was passed in concurrence, and Aldermen Bonney and Brewster were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1856. City Charter. See page 102.

A communication was received from George Tichnor, esq. resigning his office as a commissioner on the erection of a building for the Public Library, on account of absence from the country. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence May 22. came up concurred. Library Commissioner resigns.

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Harbor Master.

Whereas the City Council have elected Capt. Samuel Cook to the office of Harbor Master and Whereas said Cook has notified the Council of his willingness to perform the duties of said office provided he is permitted so to do by George P. Sewall, who refuses to surrender the office, therefore, Resolved: that said said George P. Sewall be and he is hereby removed from the office of Harbor Master. In Common Council. Read and referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Messenger

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Messenger to the City Council it appeared that Oliver H. Spurr was chosen in concurrence.

House of correction Workshops.

The Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board to whom were referred a communication of the Board of Overseers of the House of Correction found in City Document No 34. and likewise a further communication dated the 1st instant in relation to certain buildings destroyed by fire, reported at length adverse to any further expenditure at Deer Island and recommended the passage of the following order, viz: Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board be and they are hereby authorized and directed to build an addition to the Workshops at the House of Correction, South Boston, the same to be built of brick with a slated roof and sixty feet long and one hundred and thirty feet long at an expense not exceeding three thousand and five hundred dollars to be charged to the appropriation for the county of Suffolk. Read and on the taxle and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No. 42.)

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Portland Street should be widened on the northerly side by taking land of George W. Gerrish, it is therefore hereby Ordered, that due notice be given to the said George W. Gerrish that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of his land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, this day at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. 22. May 19. 1856. Gerrish Portland Street.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Princeton Street, between Brooks and Putnam Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. Bennett Princeton Street.

Petition of C. C. Bowers for leave to participate in the proceeds of a lot of land sold by the City, which lot was relinquished by him to the City. Referred to the committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. - May 22. Came up concurred. Bowers

Ordered: That the Special Committee, to whom was referred the order concerning some needful amendments to the City Charter, consider the expediency of an amendment providing for the election of the members of the Common Council so that twenty four or one half of the members shall be elected annually and elected for two years instead of one as at City Charter

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present. Also, that the same Committee consider the expediency of an amendment to the City Charter concerning the Board of Overseers of the Poor, so that the City Government may have some voice in the direction and judicious and economical disbursement of its appropriations for that department_ Also ordered that said Committee be authorized to report in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 20. 1856.

Gas Works

Ordered: That a committee of three with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to consider the expediency of the City's purchasing the property of the Boston Gas Light Company, provided the same can be purchased at a fair valuation and in the event the same cannot be so obtained, then the citizens shall decide by Yea and Nay whether the City shall proceed at once to build Gas Works and lay pipes throughout the City and furnish the citizens with Gas at the lowest minimum cost. Passed in Common Council and Messrs Nash, Story and Standish were appointed said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Rich and Wightman were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1856.

Birds

preservation of

Ordered: That the Chief of Police and the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market be and they hereby are directed to enforce the provisions of an Act entitled An Act for the better preservation of useful Birds, passed April 16. 1855.

German

Catholic Church.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of the German Catholic Church, that the time for paying the instalments due on Bond ex-

on by them for land on Rutland Street, might be extended one year, have duly considered the same and would respectfully submit the following Report: That the prayer of the petitioners be granted provided the interest now due upon said Bond is paid on or before the first day of June. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 26. 1856. May 19. 1856.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of William E. Blanchard, that the City would take mortgages on eleven houses built by him on Rutland Street, having fully considered the same would recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Peterham Plummer. Ordered: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to execute and deliver to Wm E. Blanchard warranty deeds of ten lots of land on Rutland Street, upon his surrendering to the City the agreements of sale for said land, and upon his executing and delivering to the City three mortgage deeds in the sum of five hundred dollars each, upon lots numbering one, two and three, and the buildings thereon, said mortgages to run for five years from May 1st 1856 with interest payable annually - together with three policies of insurance in the full amount and for the full term of said mortgages, the policies to be satisfactory to the Mayor; - said Blanchard to exhibit satisfactory proof that there is no lien or claim of any nature whatever existing on the land or buildings thereon, and the balance due upon said Bonds to be paid in cash. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Blanchard

May 14. 1856. Thomas.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of William Thomas & David Kimball, that a tax assessed upon them as Trustees, on the building on Court Square, known as the "Massachusetts Block" may be abated, have considered the same, and Report: That on investigation they find the estate has recently been sold at Public Auction for ten thousand dollars less than the valuation put upon it by the Assessors for the year 1855, and they therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Cyrus Brewster, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of seventy seven dollars, assessed upon Wm. Thomas and David Kimball as trustees of the estate on Court Square, known as the Massachusetts Block, be, and the same is hereby abated, which sum is the tax on the over estimated value of the property, as tested by sale at Public Auction. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred. & Approved by the Mayor, May 31. 1856.

Long and Central wharves.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of the contemplated improvements on Long and Central Wharf. Docks beg leave to report in part the following Preamble and Resolve. For the Committee, John T. Kingsley, Chairman. Whereas the Long and Central Wharf Corporations have notified the City Council of their intention to improve their dock land between Long and Central Wharves in the City of Boston by erecting thereon a block of stores: and propose for a consideration to appropriate land and widen the street between the said dock and the Custom House so the same shall be some eighty feet wide, according to a plan of Alexander Wadsworth, Esq. dated June 15. 1855, and also according to a plan of James Hall, City Engineer, and

also to extend and construct the common Sewer now emptying into the Head of said dock so that the same shall empty into the Head of the dock as it shall be after the said contemplated improvements are completed, or further out at the end of Central Wharf, and that this shall be done under the direction of the City Engineer and the Superintendent of Common Sewers, and to the satisfaction of the Board of Aldermen, the City of Boston after the same is extended and constructed having the full and free use and enjoyment thereof as a common Sewer, and the said Corporations thereafter to do at their own cost the dredging in the dock. Now therefore Resolved: That the sum of fifteen thousand dollars be paid to the Long and Central Wharf Corporations, in case the said improvements and the said work and acts are made and done by them as contemplated and proposed as aforesaid. And that this sum be paid whenever the said Corporations shall have made the said improvements or given the City of Boston sufficient and satisfactory security or obligations that the same shall be done within the Space from this date, and shall have, at their own cost and without cost to the City, extended and constructed the Sewer and conveyed to the said City a full and free right to use, enjoy, and maintain the same as a common Sewer to the same extent as they have the other common Sewers of the City, and shall also have appropriated the land and widened the said Street as proposed as aforesaid and given the City a deed of same in the usual form of deeds required in practice to be given of land taken to lay out or widen Streets in said City. Passed. Sent down for concurrence. (Vide page 260.)

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The Joint Standing Committee on

May 19 1836. Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Stephen G Tobbis for use of a room in the Old Smith School House wherein to hold an Adult school, beg leave to Report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Geo. W. Lovey, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred.

Faneuil Hall Leases. The undersigned, a majority of the Committee on Public Buildings, to whom was recommitted their former Report, dated March 17th 1836. in relation to the leases of stores under Faneuil Hall, having again considered the subject, respectfully Report: That they fully approve the measures recommended in their said Report, (being File Document No 93,) and that they have nothing to add thereto. They would, however, state by way of explanation of a portion of said Report that the occupants of the stores under the Hall, to whom they allowed the privilege of a hearing, on learning that they could be heard before the whole Board of Aldermen, waived the right of a hearing before the Committee. The Committee would further state that since the presentation of their former Report and upon the suggestions therein contained, the Mayor and Aldermen have taken such measures in regard to the termination of the leases in question, as not only accords with the views of this Committee, but renders any further action in the matter unnecessary at the present time. Wherefore the Committee ask to be discharged from any further consideration of the subject. George W. Lovey, John T. Dingley, James Chever, Ebenezer Johnson, Chas Hudson, J. C. Mason.

Faneuil Hall Leases. Alderman Eaton also submitted to the Board a Minority report on said subject, the sole

Document No. 113) signed by Joseph Buckley and B. G. Prescott who upon the proposed change of the said Stores into Market Stalls. The question being on the adoption of the Majority Report, it was decided in the affirmative. (a motion to reconsider this vote was afterwards made but did not prevail.) Sent down for concurrence. May 19. 1856.

Jerrish

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of George W. Jerrish, to be indemnified for alleged injuries sustained by the removal of the trees of the late Jerrish Market respectfully report, that in their opinion the petitioner has no just claim against the City in the premises, and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred.

Mc Cool.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of Dolathia Mc Cool to be paid for damages sustained on account of the impassable condition of Prince Street, reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred.

Jarvis Sealer.

The Committee on the Treasury Department to whom was referred the petition of Henry A. Jarvis, City Sealer, to be furnished with a set of Weights and Measures have attended to the duty and respectfully Report: That Lester A. Tompkins and Henry A. Jarvis have been duly appointed Sealers of Weights & Measures for the City of Boston, that there is but one set of standard weights and Measures belonging to the City, which is now in the possession of Lester A. Tompkins. And as the law requires that the City shall furnish a set of Standards and Seals for each Sealer ap-

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pointed, the Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee. Joseph M. Wightman, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to procure a set of Standard Avoirdupois, Troy, and Apothecaries Weights and Measures at a cost not exceeding the sum of Four Hundred and fifty dollars, and charge the same to Incidental expenses. Read, accepted and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 31. 1856.

Ordered

Head.

Harrington

Doggett.

Whereas Peter Hobart, Junior, has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings in front of his House, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at and near the place described in the said notice, by taking land of Andrew Harrington, Noah A. Doggett and N. B. Doggett it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Andrew Harrington, Noah A. Doggett and N. B. Doggett that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and other land, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty sixth day of May instant, at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Shawmut Avenue

Flanders

Whereas Benjamin H. Flanders has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Shawmut Avenue, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Avenue should be widened at the place

described in the said notice, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Benjamin H. Saunders that this Board intend to widen the Avenue before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the twenty sixth day of May instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. 235. May 19 1836.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a commissioner on the section of a building for the Public Library, in place of George Tickner, resigned, it appeared that Edward Everett was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. May 22. Came up concurred. Library Commissioner.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Board of Consulting Physicians it appeared that Jacob Bigelow, George Hayward, J. B. Gould, J. B. Mowe, Elisha Ticknor were chosen. Sent down for concurrence. Consulting Physicians.

The Committee on the Fire Department, to whom was refered the petition of Moses Place for extra pay for services at fires, reported that they recommend that one hundred dollars additional compensation be allowed said petitioner. Read and accepted. Approved by the Mayor. May 21st 1836 Place.

On nomination by the Mayor, George Churchill was appointed Lieutenant of Police at Station No 4 and the following persons were appointed on the Police viz: Horace G. Barrows, without pay. Joseph K. Low, Joshua Dunbar, Moses Luckett, William Miles, David P. Mathews, William H. Durrell, Edwin Steele, William H. Vencyl, James C. Rogers, Francis Le Baron, and Williams, Police.

James C. Singleton, Stephen C. Atkins.

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On nomination by the Mayor,

Constable.

John L. Philbrick was appointed a Constable of this City.

Portland Street

Gerrish.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Portland Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to George W. Gerrish bounded as follows, viz: Northeasterly by the proposed line of widening of Portland Street, being the front face of the brick building now standing on the premises, three measuring thirty one feet and $\frac{25}{100}$; Northwesterly by land of Charles Stubbard, three feet and $\frac{3}{10}$; Southwesterly by the present line of Portland Street, thirty one feet and $\frac{25}{100}$; Southeasterly by land of Rachel Jennings, three rod and $\frac{54}{100}$: containing one hundred and six square rod and $\frac{9}{10}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, has been waived as appears by the certificate signed by the said Gerrish hereunto annexed, it is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated May 19th 1856. and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this said Board do adjudge that the expense of widening the said Portland Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Four hundred twenty eight dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars.

Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1856.

On the petition of George L. Deblois

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in Rutland Street between Washington Street and Shawmut Avenue, and grade said Street, provided the abutters thereon will sign an agreement to claim no damages which may arise from the regulating the grade of said Rutland Street. Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1856.

May 19. 1856 Deblois Rutland Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Friend Street between Sudbury and Union Streets graded up and opened to public travel. Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1856.

Friend Street.

On petition of George B. Rogers & others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Union Park, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 21st 1856.

Rogers Union Park.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Beach Street from Harrison Avenue to Washington Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Approved by the Mayor, May 21. 1856.

Beach Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Harrison Avenue between East Castle Street and Sovereign Place to lay their sidewalks with Brick

Harrison Avenue

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Garrish. Ordered: That there be paid to George W. Garrish the sum of One Hundred and twenty two dollars for land taken to widen Portland Street the 2nd of August in the year 1855, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, June 21. 1856.

Garrish Ordered; That there be paid to George W. Garrish the sum of Four hundred twenty eight dollars for land taken to widen Portland Street, May 1856. upon his giving to the City a Deed of the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Approved by the Mayor, May 21st 1856.

Cambridge Rail Road Co. An invitation from the Cambridge Rail Road Company, requesting the Board of Aldermen and the Mayor to pass over and inspect the line of their road to Cambridge was accepted by the Board for Wednesday the 28th instant at seven O'Clock A.M.

Dangerous building Lenox Street. The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the complaint of the Chief engineer of the Department against a large wooden building in Lenox Street reported, that the Board instruct the Chief Engi-

ness of the Fire Department to notify the owner of said building, that said structure must be built according to law. | May
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Agreeably to the report of the committee on Faneuil Hall the use of the hall was granted to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company on the second day of June next on the usual conditions. | Ancient & Honorable Artillery Co

Leave was granted to Messrs Spalding and Rogers to exhibit a Circus on the Public Garden for one week and in East and South Boston, for the sum of Four hundred dollars. | Spalding & Rogers.

Agreeably to the recommendation of the Committee on the Fire Department, leave was granted to Owen Hugh to build a Stable on Tyler Street, and to J. C. & G. Fisk to build one on Fourth Street | Stables licensed

Ordered: That Andrew J. Hall and others have permission to use a part of the sidewalk in Beacon Street numbered 85. to 91. inclusive, for enclosures provided said owners give a bond to the City of Boston that said part of the sidewalk enclosed shall never be built upon and that the remaining portion of the sidewalk in front of the said estates shall not be less than ten feet in width. Read and laid on the table. | Hall Beacon Street.

A license as a Manufacturer of Spectacles and Magnifying Glasses was granted to C. M. Barnard & Co at 22 Hawkins Street on the usual conditions. | Barnard Glasses

Patrick Mc Keon, a Minor, was licensed to sell pastry &c. | Minor

On the petition of Joseph Ballard and others that Florence Street may be opened, the Committee | Ballard Florence Street

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tee on Paving reported that the Superintendent of Streets has put the Road in good order and that no further action thereon is necessary. Read and accepted.

Petit
South Free Bridge.

On the petition of William Jones for leave to construct a reservoir on the South Free Bridge to aid him in watering the streets with salt water, the Committee on Bridges reported that leave has been granted by them to William Jones to attach a reservoir to the South Pier of the South Free Bridge subject to removal at any time by the Committee on Bridges or the Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Boston & Maine Railroad.

Petition of the Boston and Maine Rail Road Company for adjustment of damages caused by the taking of their land by the Eastern Rail Road Company, which was filed with the Board of Aldermen May 15. 1856. was read and placed on file.

Pawnbrokers.

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the passage of the Ordinance concerning Pawnbrokers with these amendments, viz: in Section 1st strike out "twenty" and insert "one hundred" in Section 2. insert after the word "fine", "for not less than one year" said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Sillle.

Ordered: That the salary of Eben H. Sillle, as Permanent Messer, be continued and paid to the end of the present quarter. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Fire Dept.
Assistant Engineer

The Common Council having elected S. B. Chapin as an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department, in place of Frederick A Colburn, resigned said action

came up for concurrence. Read and Monday next was assigned as the time for choice on the part of this Board. May 19. 1856.

The election of the Directors of the Trains of Industry &c. was postponed for two weeks. House of Industry.

Alderman Bonney offered the following amendment to Section 6. of the Rules and Orders of the Board of Aldermen, viz:- add to said section - "and every Ordinance, Resolution or Order, except orders of notice, after being read shall be laid on the table before its consideration by the Board: and no such Ordinance, Resolution or Order (with the above exception) shall be considered at the same meeting, at which it is offered, except by special vote." Read and adopted, two thirds of the Board voting in favor thereof. Rules amended. vide page 280.

Whereas certain streets have been laid out and dedicated in South Boston of a less width than twenty feet in width which are open to public travel and as it is not conducive to the safety of the public that they should remain in their present condition it is therefore, Ordered: that the City of Boston will grade said streets and fit them for public travel whenever the abuttors upon said streets respectively will give the City of Boston a bond to claim no damage whatever of said City of Boston upon the grading of said streets to a regular and uniform grade for each street. Read once. South Boston streets less than twenty feet.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to alter, amend or repeal the 40th section of the Ordinance in relation to streets, said section in its present form having been decided to be a perfect nullity and entirely Streets. Ordinance.

[illegible] Read once.

May 19. 1856. Ordered: That the remonstrance
Walter of [illegible] and others against the bridging of Albany Street
Albany Street. be taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Streets with instructions to investigate and report the rights and powers of the City in regard to said street. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the twenty first day of May, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman, and Aldermen Cheever, Calhow, Rich, Jackson, Fairman and Tingley.

Jurors Twenty four Petit Jurors drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board 1855.
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the Twenty sixth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Cheever

Petition of George S Thom and Thom
others for the extension of Ric Thom Court and curb, of Edward Nash Nash
et and others for a curb in Bolton Street. Referred to the Com
mittee on Sewers.

Petition of Gardner P. Drury and Drury
others that Shawmut Avenue and Blackstone Square be sup
plied with Cochituate Water. Referred to the Committee on Inter
nal Health

Petition of the Ancient and Hon- Ancᵗ & Hon
orable Artillery Company for the use of the City Stocks on June second. Artillery
next. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of P. Branigan for leave Branigan
to give a Sparring Exhibition at East Boston on the first week in June.
Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of J. Dunham and others Dunham
that K. Street may be graded between Fourth and Third Streets Kᵗ Street
of George Freeman and others, that Copps Hill Avenue may be re Freeman
paired of John Callamore Jr and others that Federal Street be Callamore
repaired from Chambers Street to High Street of Francitte Mears Mears
and others that the grade of Salem Street be raised of Samuel
R. Spinney and others that eighth Street may be graded from Ches- Spinney
ter Street to Mercer Street of Francis Richards and others, Richards

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that Marion Street may be repaired between Pleasant Street and Church Street — of D. Y. Kendall and others that Border Street between the Bridge and Lexington Street, may be graded &c. — of B. F. Reed and others that Second Street be paved between A. & L. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Poole

Petition of Galen Poole to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in 6 and Fifth streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Monks

Petition of John P. Monks and others that Granite Street be extended to Second Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Apthorp

Petition of H. O. & R. G. Apthorp to be paid &c land taken from them in Tremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

City Registrar.

Petition of the City Registrar that certain books & early records in his office may be copied for their better preservation. Referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Odin — Common gate

Petition of John Odin that the action of the last Board with reference to a gate for the Common at the corner of Boylston and Tremont Streets may be consummated. Referred to the Committee on the Common.

Pearson

Petition of John N. Pearson and others for a more stringent enforcement of the law respecting smoking in the Streets &c. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Communication of the Chief 215.
Engineer of the Fire Department recommending certain persons May 26. 1856.
for appointment to take charge of the Steam Fire engine and Steam
requesting that a house be built therefor. Referred to the committee Fire Engine Co
on the Fire Department.

The Superintendent of Streets Monmouth &
presented to the Board Estimates of appropriations for the construction of com- Gold Sts
mon sewers in Monmouth Street and in Gold Street. Referred to the Sewers.
Committee on Sewers.

Petition of William K. Jones and Police
others, Captains of Police, for an increase of Salary. Referred to the Captains
Committee on Salaries. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came
up concurred.

Petition of the Negro Perpetual Negroes
Loan Fund Association for an abatement of water tax. Referred to the Loan Fund.
Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. May 29 Came up concurred.

Petition of John G. Partridge to be Partridge
paid for personal injuries sustained by him in Winter Street. Referred
to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came
up concurred.

Petition of Daniel Rhodes for set- Rhodes
tlement of his claim against the City. Referred to the Committee
on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concur-
red.

Petition of John G. King and others King
for abatement of taxes on the Union Works. Referred to the Com- Union Works
mittee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence.
May 29. Came up concurred.

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Petition of the Peoples Ferry Company to be paid for the passage of teams of the City over their ferry in 1855. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred.

Smoking.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order in relation to smoking in and about the Streets, Buildings, wharves &c. Having considered the same, respectfully report that in the opinion of this Committee if existing laws are enforced no further action will be necessary. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred.

Simpson Sconce Lease.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of H. H. Simpson to lease or sell a lot of land belonging to the City near Rose's Wharf, submit this as their report, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee Geo. W. Piercy, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 29 Came up concurred.

Treasurer's accounts

The Joint Standing Committee on the Treasury Department to whom was referred the statement of accounts of the City and County Treasurer for the financial year ending April 30th 1856 Having attended to the duty assigned them respectfully Report: That they have examined the Treasurer's Accounts, comparing the several items with entries in the Books of the office and find the same to be correctly vouched and accurately stated. The amount of Bonds and Notes on hand on the 30th of April last, was Six hundred and eight thousand, eight hundred eleven dollars and five cents, ($ 608,811.05). The amount of cash on

hand at the same date was Two hundred forty six thousand, fifty dollars and fifty one cents. /$246.050.51/ The Committee would also state that the obligation of the Commonwealth for Forty one thousand five hundred eighty four dollars and ninety five cents /$41.584.95/ referred to in the last report of the Committee on the Treasury Department has been paid with the interest and will be found in the Treasurer's Report. Joseph M. Wightman, Timothy G. Kendall, Joseph A. Pond, L. B. Roberts. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred. May 26. 1856.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the order of the City Council respecting the expediency of amending the ordinance respecting Printing, having considered the subject report that no alteration of the said ordinance is necessary. Per the Committee, Farnham Rummer Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred. Printing.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board respecting an amendment or repeal of the 40th section of the Ordinance on Streets, was amended by striking out the words from A to B and inserting "consider the expediency of altering, amending or repealing", and was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 31. 1856. Streets Ordinance.

The Common Council having recommitted the order respecting the proposed payment of Fifteen thousand dollars to the Long and Central Wharf Corporations when certain improvements shall have been made by them, said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Long & Central Wharves

May 26. 1856.

Fire Dept' Assistant engineer.

The subject of the election of an Assistant Engineer of the Fire Department in place of L. N. Holburn, resigned, was taken from the table and the ballots having been taken and counted for said office it appeared that Jonas G. Smith was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. May 29. Came up concurred.

Green.

Previous to the foregoing election petitions from Orin Green to be elected said Assistant Engineer, and of J. Bidwell and others in favor of said Green's election, were received from the Common Council and were read and placed on file.

Assistant Messenger

Oliver H. Spun having nominated to the City Council for their approval Judwin Hunt, as Assistant Messenger, said nomination was confirmed in concurrence with the Common Council.

Auditor of Accounts.

The ballots having been taken and counted for an Auditor of Accounts it appeared that Elisha Copeland was chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

House of Correction

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Master of the House of Correction, it appeared that Charles Wrens was elected in concurrence with the Common Council.

Fire Alarms Supt of.

Petition of E.B. Foster and others, that Jesse C. Rowe be chosen Superintendent of Fire Alarms and of Joseph S. Stearns that he be re elected to said office, were received from the Common Council and were read and placed on file. And the ballots being taken and counted for said Superintendent it appeared that Joseph S. Stearns was chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

Ordered: That the Commissioners | 219.
on the erection of a building for the Public Library be and they hereby are authorized to report to the City Council in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read twice and concurred | May 26. 1856. Library Commissioners
Approved by the Mayor, May 28. 1856

A message came up from the | Convention
Common Council proposing that a Convention of both branches of | proposed.
the City Council be held on Thursday evening next at eight and a quarter o'clock for the purpose of electing a City and County Treasurer. Read and this Board concurred in said proposition.

On the petition of Michael Mc | Mc Cann
Cann. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will on | Marginal Street.
Thursday, June 3d next at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Marginal Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

On petition of the Cambridge Rail | Cambridge
Road Company for leave to construct a double track in Cambridge | Rail Road Co
Street from Chambers Street to Bowdoin Square, it is Ordered, That due notice be given to the abutters on said line of Cambridge Street, between Chambers Street and Bowdoin Square, that this Board intend to grant the prayer of the petitioners, and that Thursday, the twelfth day of June next at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections thereto.

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Gerrish.

Sudbury St:

Whereas George W. Gerrish has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Sudbury Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said George W. Gerrish that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Tuesday the third day of June next at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Chauncy

Street

Coffin

Whereas James K. Mills and James M. Robbins, as the Trustees of Margaret Coffin have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Summer and Chauncy Streets in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said James K. Mills and James M. Robbins and Margaret Coffin that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Tuesday, the third day of June next at four o'Clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Police

On nomination by the Mayor, William J. Weston, Charles G. Bolthby, James C. Goodwin, Samuel G. Greene, Lewis W. Allen, Hugh McClenathan, George W. Lufkin Harrington Grant, William E. Easterbrook, Samuel Jenkins, were appointed on the Police

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On nomination by the Mayor, Robert Fowler and Charles Whittenden were appointed Special Police Officers without pay - and Wade H. Goodwin was appointed a Constable.

Police Constable.

The bond of John L. Philbrick as a Constable was approved by the Board.

Constable's bond.

Agreeably to notice Andrew Harrington appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Federal Street by taking a portion of his land - whereupon the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Harrington Federal Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Princeton Street, between Bucks and Putnam Streets, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Princeton Street Sewer.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Shawmut Avenue by taking land of B. H. Flanders, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets

Shawmut Avenue. Flanders.

On petition of Edward Haskell - Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Tuesday the third day of June next, at four o'Clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Asylum Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Haskell. Asylum Street.

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Albany Street.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board, referring the subject of bridging Albany Street, to the Committee on Streets for investigation, was read a second time, and passed.

Alley.

Boston & New York Central Rail Road

On petition of John B. Alley owner of three parcels of land in South Boston over which the Boston & New York Central Rail Road Company have located their said Road, praying the Board of Aldermen to estimate the damages occasioned to him by the location and construction of their road as aforesaid and as is in his petition more fully set forth it now appearing that the said Boston and New York Central Rail Road Company appear by their Counsel J. W. Bates, Esq. and waive notice on said petition, it is Ordered: That the damages occasioned to said petitioner by the location and construction of the said Boston and New York Central Rail Road over his land as aforesaid be estimated at the sum of one dollar; And that the said Boston and New York Central Rail Road Company do give security in said sum to the satisfaction of this Board for the payment of all such damages and costs as have been awarded by this Board or shall be awarded by a Jury for the damages aforesaid as by the Statutes in such case made and provided. Read twice and passed.

Munroe & James.

On the petition of Edmund Munroe and Deming James owners in common of two parcels of land at South Boston over which the Boston and New York Central Rail Road Company have located the track of their said Road, praying the Board of Aldermen to estimate the damages occasioned to them by the location and construction of their road as aforesaid, and as in their petition is more fully set forth, it now appear

ing that the said Boston and New York Central Railroad Company 253.
have been duly notified of the pendency of said petition and have May 26 1856.
appeared by their counsel J. W. Bates, Esq. it is Ordered: That the
damages occasioned to said petitioners by the location and construc-
tion of the said Boston and New York Central Railroad on their
land as aforesaid be estimated at the sum of one dollar: and
that the said Boston and New York Central Rail Road Company
do give security in said sum to the satisfaction of this Board for
the payment of all such damages and costs as have been award-
ed by this Board or shall be awarded by a Jury for the damag-
es aforesaid, as by the Statutes in such case is made and provided.
Read twice and passed.

Whereas it appears to this Board Cross Street.
that a nuisance exists on premises on Cross Street, caused by dirt, filth
and an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Mr. John
Goodnow: (William C. Bail agent) which is dangerous to the health
of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of
Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be
abated by removing all dirt and filth, and cleaning and repair-
ing said drain, at the expense of said parties, who, having been
duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice
and passed.

Whereas it appears to this Board Gold Street.
that a nuisance exists on Gold Street caused by manure, stagnant Happen
water &c. on said premises, belonging to James Happen which is dan-
gerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the
Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by draining and fencing said Lot at the
expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected

254. to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

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Clapp Gold Street. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on vacant land situated on Gold Street caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Mr Amasa Clapp which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining and filling said lot, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified has neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Brighton Street. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No 30. Brighton Street caused by an overflowing cistern and an obstructed cesspool on said premises, belonging to Mr. F. Brown which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said cistern, and cleaning cesspool, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Middlesex Street Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises 41 and 43. Middlesex Street caused by an obstructed drain on said premises belonging to Dr O. H. Mallory and Mr J. S. Wade which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions and repairing said Drain at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises in rear of stables on Fayette Street caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to Mr. Samuel P. Winslow, Mrs. C. M. Clark, Misses Thomas Waterman, L. C. Ballard, Geo. Haviland, Mrs. Rebecca Goodale, Misses R. G. Barbank, Agent, Jos. Hallett, N. Porter, Micah Cutler, R. Wilson, Wm. Grant, L. L. Tyler, Mrs. Enoch Silsbee, and Mr. Cornelius Driscoll, and Mrs B. Field, which is dangerous to the Health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered: That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain, and repairing the same at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

May 26. 1856. Fayette Street.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board in favor of grading the several newly laid streets at South Boston if the abutters will relinquish all claims for damages was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

South Boston laid streets.

Ordered: That the order passed on the fifth instant directing the City Engineer to make a survey of Summer Street below Broad Street and Federal Street be and it is hereby rescinded. Read twice and passed.

Summer Street. See page 204.

Whereas, by a Resolve of this Board passed Nov. 28th 1855. North Grove Street was widened, and a certain parcel of land, being the second described in said Resolve, was taken from the heirs of George Parkman, portions of which did not belong to the said heirs; and whereas by the line of widening then adopted, a small triangular piece containing thir-

North Grove Street.

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by square feet and 7/10 would be left which would be valueless to the said heirs, and which they are willing to quit-claim to the City excepted from the restriction of being used only as a public street or highway: Therefore, Resolved: that the description of the parcel second described in the Resolve aforesaid be, and the same is hereby amended by substituting therefor the following descriptions, viz: First, Eastwardly by the westerly boundary line of land of Springfield & Burbank, there measuring twenty one feet and 77/100; Southwardly by Fruit Street, two feet and 42/100; and westwardly by a line parallel with and distant twenty three feet westwardly from the centre line of North Grove Street as shown on a plan hereinafter referred to, twenty one feet and 9/10; containing thirty square feet and 7/10 more or less. Second, Eastwardly by the land above described, and by land of Springfield & Burbank there measuring thirty six feet and 3/10; Northwardly by land hereinafter described nine feet and 7/10; Westwardly by the present line of North Grove Street, thirty six feet and 2/100, and Southwardly by Fruit Street eight feet and 72/100: containing three hundred and forty nine square feet and 3/10 more or less. Third, Eastwardly by the proposed line of widening there measuring twenty nine feet and 9/10; Northwardly by a common passageway two feet and 27/100; Eastwardly by the westerly end of said passageway nine feet and 44/100; Northwardly by land of the President and Fellows of Harvard College, nine feet and 72/100; Westwardly by the present line of North Grove Street, forty feet and 35/100, and Southwardly by the last described parcel and by land of Springfield and Burbank eleven feet and 28/100; containing four hundred and sixty four square feet, more or less. The parcels above described as amended, being shown on a plan by James Slade, City Engineer, dated May 26th 1856 and deposited in the office of the Board of Aldermen. Read twice and

passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 28, 1856.

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Welch. Chelsea.

Petition of Francis Welch and fifty three other legal voters praying that meetings of the citizens of Boston be held within thirty days to vote upon the acceptance or rejection of an Act of the Legislature entitled 'An Act to annex Chelsea to Boston,' passed April 30th 1856. Read, and thereupon Ordered: That Warrants be issued for meetings of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards on Monday the ninth day of June next at Nine o'Clock, A.M. then and there to give in their ballots for or against the acceptance of an Act of the Legislature entitled 'An Act to re-annex Chelsea to Boston,' passed April 30, 1856. The Polls to be kept open until Four o'Clock P.M.

Warrants for Ward meetings.

Shawmut Avenue. Flanders.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was recommitted the notice of Benjamin Flanders' intention to build on Shawmut Avenue and the order of notice thereon, respectfully report that no further action at the present time is necessary. Read Accepted.

Auctioneers.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, John H. Tomlinson and Daniel D. Welch were appointed Auctioneers in this City.

Knierieman

Leave was granted to William Knierieman to exhibit a riding wheel or Carousel on Village Street, subject to the rules of the Board of Aldermen.

Hughes.

Leave was granted to William Hughes to exhibit a Pedestrian feat at Faneuil Hall during the month of June next.

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Baker

On petition of E. H. Baker for leave to construct coal Holes under the sidewalk in Broadway, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Flanders Albany Street.

On the notice of intention to build by John F. Flanders on Albany Street, the Committee on Streets reported that no action as to the lines of said street is necessary, but that the subject of the building be referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Consulting Physicians

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the election of Asst Physicians George Hayward, L. M. Shaw and John Jeffries as Consulting Physicians and having now chosen James Jackson in place of N. I. Gould elected by this Branch, said action came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Pickering Cement Oil Factory.

Upon the remonstrance of L. N. Pickering and others against the re-building of the Cement Oil Factory at South Boston, the Committee on the Fire Department reported that the remonstrants have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Simmons Newton Street.

On the remonstrance of George A. Simmons and others against raising the grade of Newton Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary. Read and accepted.

Miners

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses, Patrick Hart and John Lynch were licensed as ale papers &c.

Ordered: That Messrs Suter, Hurst and Whalen with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to inquire into the duties of Firemen and Inspectors of Fighters and the manner in which the same are performed. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read once. | May 26. 1856. Firemen Duties Inspectors

On the petition of Jonas Ball & others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Emerald Street between Grove and Chapman Streets and pave the gutters in said Street: also place crosspools therein if necessary to carry off the top water, provided the abutters thereon will agree to claim no grade damages and lay their sidewalks. Read once. | Emerald Street, &c.

Ordered: That there be paid to Maria Burrill the sum of Five Hundred dollars for damages occasioned by a change of grade of Broadway upon her proving her title to the estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon her giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying &c. Ordered, That the order passed Dec 17th 1855. to pay Maria Burrill the sum of two hundred dollars for said grade damages, be and the same hereby is rescinded. Read once. | Burrill.

The Committee on Ordinances who were directed to report an ordinance to abolish the office of County Physician, having duly considered the subject Report: That the office of County Physician should be abolished and recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance. Per the Committee, Fairfax Plummer, Chairman. Read once. | County Physician

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Houghton
Chickering
Hydrant
Company.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom were referred the petitions of C. C. Houghton and others and of Chickering Sons and others that an additional Engine be located in Ward No 11 report: That after due consideration of the subject they are in favor of locating a Hydrant Carriage and Company on Northampton Street in the easterin portion of said Ward. The old engine House now standing on the South Bay Lands, and which is not now used by the City can be removed to the location proposed, and, in the opinion of the Chief Engineer, will answer all the purpose of a new house. This measure will not require, therefore, any considerable outlay beyond the annual expense of the company to be attached thereto, for the City already owns the carriage house and land, which are proposed to be used for the purpose. Your Committee therefore recommend the adoption of the following order. For the committee, James Cheers, Chairman. Ordered: That a Hydrant Carriage be located in Northampton Street opposite the Catholic Church, and that the Engineer of the Fire Department cause a suitable company to be immediately organized therefor:- the necessary expenses of said measure to be charged to the appropriation for the Fire Department. Read once.

Hydrant
Carriage
house for.

Ordered: That the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department under the direction of the Committee on Public Lands be authorized with full powers to cause the Old engine House now standing on the South Bay Lands, so called, to be removed to a portion of the City Lands on Northampton Street opposite the Catholic Church in accordance with a report of the Committee on the Fire Department, accepted by the Board of Aldermen May 1856. Read once.

May 26. 1836.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Beach Street from Lane to Federal Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once. Beach Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Kneeland Street from Lane to Federal Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once. Kneeland Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Custom House Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once. Custom House Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave India Street from Custom House Street to Broad Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured. India Street

in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Provided the India
May 26. 1856. Rhug Corporation will agree to pay for the repairing of such portion
of said Street as belongs to said Corporation. Read once.

Milk Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repair Milk Street from Federal to
Oliver Street, and make such changes in the grade of said
Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projec-
tions on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous;
also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secur-
ed in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Congress Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to repair Congress Street from Post Office Av-
enue to Milk Street, and make such changes in the grade of said
Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projec-
tions on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also,
to close all openings into said Street which are not secured
in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Albany Street. Ordered: That the Superintendent
of Streets be authorized to pave Albany Street from Beach to Knee
land Street, in conformity with the established grade, and remove
all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem
dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured
in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Albany Street sidewalks Ordered: That the Chief of Police
be directed to notify the abuttors on Albany Street from Beach

to K Howard Street to lay their Sidewalks with brick within thirty days. Said portion of Albany Street having been ordered to be paved. Read once. 265. Aug 20 1856

Ordered: That the bill of William Fox Richardson for Iron and Steel furnished the Paving Department amounting to one hundred and seventy four dollars and ninety eight cents be paid provided the same be audited and approved in the usual manner. Read once. Richardson

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby authorized to employ a suitable person as Porter for the Lock-ups under the Court House whose duty it shall be to make the fires, do such cooking and cleaning as may be necessary and such other work in relation to said Lockups as the Chief of Police may require the expense of the same not to exceed three hundred dollars per annum. Read once. Lockups Porter for.

Ordered: That there be refunded to James Mc Dermott the sum of ten dollars there being an error of that amount in the assessment laid upon his estate for the construction of a Sewer in A Street which assessment the said James Mc Dermott has paid to the City. Read once. Mc Dermott.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby instructed to remove all obstructions from Athens Street between E and F Streets. Read once. Athens Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to report an Ordinance to amend an Health Ord: Funeral Cars.

Sundry repeal Section 44. of the Ordinance in relation to Health. said section refers to the use of Funeral Cars. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at three and a half o'clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the twenty ninth day of May, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman, and all the Aldermen except. Aldermen Chevers, Torrey and Plummer.

Winsor — Petition of Nathaniel Winsor Jr. & others that Tremont Street between Dover Street and Chester Square be paved or macadamized. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Brown — Petition of Brown and Chick for leave to build a Stable for more than four horses. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Petition of William Burri- | May 29. 1856.
son and others that the Bennington Head Sewer may be extend- | Bennington
ed easterly to Chelsea Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers | Head Sewer.
and Drains.

The order offered at the last | Mr. Dermott.
meeting of the Board to refund to James Mr Dermott the sum of
ten dollars, the amount of an error in assessing the cost of a sewer
in A Street, was read a second time and was passed. Approved
by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

The Committee on Sewers to | Gray
whom was referred the petition of John C. Gray that the sewer in | Court Street
Court Street near his new building may be relaid, reported that | Sewer
the petitioner have leave to relay said sewer at his own expense;
they also recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For
the Committee, J. T. Dingley, Chairman. Ordered: That there be, and
is hereby refunded to John C. Gray, the sum of one hundred dollars,
that being the fee which he paid to the City for the right to enter
a drain from his estate in Court Street into the Common Sewer in
said Street - said sewer being found upon examination, not of suf-
ficient depth for his purpose. Read and accepted, and the order hav-
ing been read twice was passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

The order offered at the last | Emerald
meeting of the Board authorizing the Superintendent of Streets to | Street.
grade Emerald Street was read a second time and passed. Ap-
proved by the Mayor. Mayor 30. 1856

The order of the Common Coun- | Fighters &
cil, read at the last meeting of the Board, for the appointment of | duties of -
a Joint Special Committee to inquire into the duties of Firewards of Fight

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lers &c was read a second time and passed in concurrence — and Aldermen Kendall and Pingley were joined. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Burrill.

The order of May 26th last to pay Maria Burrill five hundred dollars for damages to her estate on Broadway and to rescind an order passed December 17. 1855 relating to the same subject were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Athens Sheet.

The order of May 26th last for the Chief of Police to remove obstructions from Athens Sheet between E and F. Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Lockups — keeper for.

The order of May 26th last for the Chief of Police to employ a suitable man to act as Feeder for the Lockups under the Court House at an expense not exceeding three hundred dollars was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Albany Sheet.

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Albany Sheet from Beach to Kneeland Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Milk Sheet.

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Milk Sheet from Federal to Oliver Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Custom House Sheet.

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Custom House Sheet was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Beach Street from Gove to Federal Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856. | May 26 1856. Beach Street.

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Kneeland Street from Gove to Federal Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 26. 1856. | Kneeland Street

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to repave Congress Street from First Street to Summer to Milk Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856. | Congress Street.

The order of May 26th for the Superintendent of Streets to repave India Street from Custom House Street to Broad Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856. | India Street

The order of May 26th last for the Chief of Police to notify the abutters on Albany Street, from Beach Street to Kneeland Street, to lay their sidewalks, was read a second time and passed. | Albany Street.

On motion of Alderman King- ley the report of the Committee on Paving on the subject of grad- ing Fayette Street which was laid on the table April 28th last, was taken up and was recommitted. | Fayette St. grade.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, leave was granted to the friends of M. N. Fiske to open the Howard Athenaeum for one night on June 3d next. | Moulton- Howard Athenaeum

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T. Hannigan

leave was granted to Patsy Hannigan to give a Sparring Exhibition at East Boston during the first week in June next.

East Boston Sewers

The Committee on Sewers & Drains having considered the proposition of the East Boston Co. as contained in their vote in regard to granting to the City of Boston the right of drainage through the wharf lot on the westerly side of Border Street on certain conditions, would state, that as the City have in contemplation the construction of several extensive Sewers and anticipate that others will be needed in East Boston, which will require a great expenditure of the appropriation for Sewers and Drains, and as the Sewers required to be constructed by the proposal of the East Boston Company are not the present year needed, (there being no buildings on those portions of Meridian and Border Streets and none on Border Street that require drainage) the Committee therefore deem it inexpedient to construct any Sewers in those portions of Meridian, Border and Porter Streets, until required for drainage. But the Committee, sensible of the value and importance of a right of drainage in that section of East Boston, would express the desire, that the East Boston Company would secure to the City this right of drainage, that it may be availed of, when required for the use of the inhabitants in that location. For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Commercial Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No 1511 Commercial Street, caused by a defective drain on said premises belonging to Barney & Loughlin which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health &

and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by constructing a new drain or thoroughly cleaning and repairing old one, at the expense of said party, who having been duly notified has neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed. May 29. 1856.

A communication from J. G. Kleeston resigning his office as Clerk of Ward 7. was read and placed on file. Clerk of Ward No 7.

The bond of Wade N. Goodwin a Constable of the City was read and approved by the Board. Constable's bond

The bond of Elisha Copeland, Auditor of Accounts was read and approved by the Board. (See bond in Treasurer's Office) Auditor's bond.

On motion of Alderman Dingley the order of the Common Council, providing that no part of the sums appropriated by the General Appropriation Bill be expended for the purpose of changing the stores under Faneuil Hall Market into Market Stalls, was taken from the table and was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, May 29. 1856 Appropriation bill Faneuil Hall Stores

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road by a single track from Dover through Washington to Boylston and through Boylston to Tremont Street. Thomas L. Harlow, Esq. who stated that he had been obtained by certain remonstrants on said route asked for a postponement of the hearing, which was granted by the Board and Tuesday the tenth day of June next at three and a Metropolitan Rail Road

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under clock P.M. was assigned as the time for hearing any remonstrants in the matter.

Steam Fire Engine

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the communication of the Board of engineers of the Fire Department requesting that a company be organized for the Steam Fire Engine, Miles Greenwood, and also that a house be provided for the same, reported in favor of organizing Thomas G. Smith, William Sorell and others (as recommended by the engineers) into a company for said engine. Read and accepted - and so much of said communication as relates to the erection of a house for said engine was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Hydrant carriage to Ward 11 Haughton Whickering.

The report and order of the Committee on the Fire Department in favor of the location of a Hydrant carriage in Northampton Street, and authorizing the Board of engineers of the Fire Department to organize a Company therefor, which report and order were offered May 26, were read a second time and adopted. Approved by the Mayor, May 30. 1856.

Richardson

The order of May 26th to pay William Fox Richardson one hundred and twenty four dollars and ninety eight cents was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 31. 1856.

Hydrant House.

The order of May 26th authorizing the Chief Engineer to move the Old engine House from the South Bay Yards to Northampton Street, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 31. 1856

The Ordinance to abolish the
office of County Physician which was submitted at the last meeting May 29. 1856.
of the Board, was read a second time and passed Sent down for County
concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. May 31 1856. Ordinance.

The order of May 26th for the Health.
Committee on Ordinances to report an Ordinance to amend or to Funeral Cars
repeal Sec. 44. of the Health Ordinance which refers to the use of fu-
neral Cars, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for
concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, May 31.
1856.

The Board then adjourned to this evening at eight Oclock,

The Board re-assembled at
eight Oclock, PM.

Present,
The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Wedman, Tor-
ry and Cheever.

Specially to assignment the two Convention.
Branches assembled

In Convention,

for the purpose of chosing Treasurer.
a City and County Treasurer for the year ensuing — Alderman Hum-
mer and Messrs Frost and French were appointed a Committee to
receive, sort and count the votes for said officer, who having al-

tended to that duty, reported that the whole number of votes was 177, all of which were for Frederick W. Tracy, who was accordingly elected.

The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two branches separated, and the Board of Aldermen

Adjourned to Tuesday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Third day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Chaney and Torrey.

Griggs-Fellon. Petition of John H. Griggs & others that additional lamps be placed in Fenno Street and Camden Place:- of John Fellon and others for additional lamps at corner of Linain and Freeland Streets. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Cleland-Sherman. Petition of Samuel Cleland for a license as an Auctioneer - of Peleliah Sherman for appointment as a Coal Weigher. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

McCullough Petition of William McCullough to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in M. and other Streets at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of G. H. Gilman and others that Piedmont Street may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving. 273. June 3. 1856 Gilman.

Petition of John H. Dix for permission to erect coal arches under the sidewalks in Piedmont and Dorchester Streets. of F. Bartlett for leave to display a numerous sign in Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Dix. Bartlett.

Petition of Hiram Plummer & others for the opening of a new street at East Boston, called Addison Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Plummer.

Petition of Charles C. Robinson to be paid for land taken to extend Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Robinson.

Petition of William H. Bancroft to be paid for injuries sustained by him while in discharge of his duties as a Police Officer. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. June 5. Came up concurred. Bancroft

Petition of John Ashton respecting a fence erected by the City in rear of the School House in Grane Place. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. June 5. Came up concurred. Ashton.

Petition of J. N. Farwell for abatement of his tax for 1855. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. Sent down for concurrence. June 3. Came up concurred. Farwell.

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Library.

The fourth report of the Committee on the erection of a building for the Public Library stating the present condition of that building and asking for an additional appropriation of Sixty thousand dollars, was read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. June 5. Came up non-concurred.

Troy Iron Company.

Petition of the Troy Iron Company for an abatement of a tax assessed upon said Corporation in 1853.54. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. June 5. Came up concurred.

Special Police.

On nomination by the Mayor, Newell N. Thompson was appointed a Special Police Officer of this City.

Port Physician

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Port Physician it appeared that John M. Moriarty was chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

City Physician.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Physician it appeared that Henry G. Clark was chosen in concurrence with the Common Council.

Consulting Physician

The subject of the election of a Consulting Physician was taken from the table and the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that N. N. Gould was chosen this Board thereby non-concurring with the Common Council in the choice of James Hyer. Sent down for concurrence.

The Ordinance in relation to Pawnbrokers having been taken from the table this Board concurred with the amendment made in Section 2d by the Common Council and concurred in the proposed amendment in Section 1st with the following amendment, Strike out "one hundred" and insert "fifty". Sent down for concurrence. June 5. 1856 Pawnbrokers

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom was referred an order passed May 17th directing said committee to take into consideration the expediency of framing an Ordinance under which the various Boards of Directors, Trustees, and Visitors of the Institutions of the City can be consolidated into one Board to have supervision over these Institutions having duly considered the subject, respectfully Report: That it is inexpedient to frame or pass such an Ordinance. For the Committee. Farnham Hummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 5 Came up concurred. Institutions Directors consolidation.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred an order passed April 30th 1856 requiring said Committee to "consider and report upon the expediency of an Ordinance giving authority to the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department to raze any building made dangerous by fire" having fully considered the subject respectfully Report: That the passage of such an Ordinance is inexpedient. For the Committee, Farnham Hummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 5. Came up concurred. Dangerous Buildings.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists at 454 Commercial Street caused by a Commercial Street.

276 defective drain on said premises belonging to Thomas Cays, which
June 3. 1856 is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered,
That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed
to cause said nuisance to be abated by repairing said drain
at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified,
has neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Hanover Avenue. Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists on Hanover Avenue caused by defective drains
on said premises, belonging to Messrs Isaac T. Rare and S. L. Rebels, which
is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That
the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause
said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions and re-
pairing said drain at the expense of said parties, who, having
been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice
and passed.

Brighton Road Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists at 113 Brighton Road caused by dirt and
filth and a want of proper drainage on said premises, belonging
to N. H. Stone, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it
is hereby Ordered. That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is,
hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing
all dirt and filth and constructing proper drains at the expense
of said party who, having been duly notified has neglected to
abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Medford Road. Whereas it appears to this Board
that a nuisance exists at 60 Medford Road caused by dirt, filth and
want of proper drainage on said premises, belonging to James

Roman, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing said dirt and filth and constructing proper drains at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified has neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed. 27. June 3. 1856

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in rear of estates situated on Battle and Court Streets caused by defective drains on said premises, belonging to J. Bryant, J. Boles, Agent William Minot, jr. Trustee; J. Thorndike; J. G. Russell, N. N. Emmons, Agent and Charles Copeland, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is Hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drains and repairing the same at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed. Battle & Court Streets.

Ordered: That the City Clerk be requested to write to the Selectmen of the Towns of Brookline and Dorchester and to the Mayor and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury, and invite them to meet the Board of Aldermen of this City, on the lines of said towns of Brookline and Dorchester and said City of Roxbury respectively (commencing with Dorchester) on Thursday, the tenth day of July next, at nine o'clock, A. M. for the purpose of perambulating the lines between said Brookline, Dorchester, Roxbury and this City: and that Aldermen Plummer and Wightman be a committee to make arrangements to carry said measure into effect. Read twice and passed. Perambulations

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Boundaries

Ordered: That the City Engineer prepare descriptions in duplicate of the boundary lines between this City and the towns of Brookline, Dorchester and the City of Roxbury. Read twice and passed.

Cambridge & Metropolitan Rail Roads.

Ordered: That the following rules be observed in the hearing before the Board upon the petition of the Cambridge Rail Road Company for the extension of a double track in Cambridge Street to Bowdoin Square:- The petitioners and remonstrants to be heard by themselves or by counsel, but not by both, if by counsel, the opening to be a simple statement of the grounds of claim or objection, and the evidence intended to be introduced to support the same: and in closing one counsel only to be heard on each side: the evidence to be confined to the simple question of extension, and not to go into the general question of Street railroads, and the expediency of such roads in cities generally, and this City in particular. The same rules to apply in the case of the Metropolitan Railroad hearing, except that as the Company have been heard, they be allowed to introduce rebutting testimony only. Read twice & passed.

Asylum Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Asylum Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Marginal Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Marginal Street said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Sudbury Street by taking land of George W. Gerrish, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Sudbury Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Summer and Entrance Streets by taking land of the late Margaret Coffin deceased, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Summer Entrance Streets.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of George W. Merrill that Athens Street between C and F Streets may be opened have considered the same and report that the investigation of the subject of said petition belongs to the Committee on Paving &c. and they recommend it be referred to that Committee. For the Committee, John T. Tingley, Chairman. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Merrill. Athens Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Dodworth's Band to give a Concert at the Music Hall this evening.

Dodworth's Band

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Faneuil Hall leave was granted to Percy W. Chandler & others to hold a meeting in Faneuil Hall this evening to sympathize with the Kansas sufferers.

Chandler. Faneuil Hall.

The license heretofore granted to John Mealey (a Minor) was transferred to Thomas Mealey.

Minors

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Crocker

On the petition of Ralph Crocker and others that Mount Washington Avenue be graved with Nicolson Pavement, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Pentland

Leave was granted to Pentland & Co to exhibit a Circus at South Boston on the fifth day of June instant

Greene

On the petition of William C. Greene for appointment as an Auctioneer the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Fire Dept officers

Agreeably to the recommendations of the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, the nomination of certain officers to Engine Company No. 12. Hydrant Co. 3. 3, Truck & Ladder Co. No. 2. was confirmed by the Board.

Rules

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Alderman Rich offered the following order. Ordered: That the rule requiring orders to lie upon the table until a subsequent meeting of the Board be rescinded except in relation to orders involving the expenditure of money by the City. Read and laid on the table.

Federal Street. Harrington. Doggett.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Federal (late Sea) Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Andrew Harrington bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Federal (late Sea) Street, there measuring about sixteen feet and 3/10; Northwardly by the present line of the said Street ten

feet and 41/100; Eastwardly by the same, sixteen feet and 3/10, and Southwardly by land hereinafter described as taken from the Heirs of Noah Doggett, eleven feet and 17/100; containing one hundred and seventy three square feet and 7/10, more or less. Also a parcel of land belonging to the Heirs of Noah Doggett, bounded and described as follows viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Federal Street, there measuring about sixteen feet and 7/10; Northwardly by the parcel of land above described as taken from the said Harrington, eleven feet and 12/100; Eastwardly by the present line of the said Street, sixteen feet and 3/10, and Southwardly by a common passageway, ten feet and 37/100: containing one hundred and seventy nine square feet and 5/10, more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcels of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcels of land before described be, and the same hereby are taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated June 3d 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And that this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Federal Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Ten hundred and fifty nine dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Ordered, That there be paid to H. C. Apthorp & P. C. Apthorp the sum of Twenty five hundred forty two 50/100 Dollars for land taken to widen Tremont Street, in May 1856.

Apthorp

upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Wood.

Ordered, That there be paid to Moses Wood junior, the sum of Six hundred dollars for damages sustained by him as tenant of Andrew Harrington from the widening of Federal Plate Way Road, in the year 1855, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Gold Street.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the eleventh day of September 1854. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Gold Street, the cost of which was four hundred and seventy eight dollars and seventy four cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains three hundred fifty nine dollars and 74/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read once.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of | June 3. 1856.
this Board, passed on the fifteenth day of October, 1855. public notice | Monmouth
thereof having first been given a Common Sewer has been con- | Street
structed in Monmouth Street, the cost of which was two hundred
sixty nine dollars and eighty cents one quarter part whereof being
deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains two hundred
two dollars and 35/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same,
according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named
in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid,
be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums
therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part
of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to
be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid,
their tenants or lessees. Read once.

Ordered, That the Committee | Steam
on Public Buildings consider the propriety of locating the "Miles | Fire engine
Greenwood" in Haymarket Square, and of erecting a suitable Fire
Building for the housing of the engine and equipments upon
the site now occupied by the Fountain in said Square. Passed
in Common Council came up for concurrence. Read once.

Ordered: That the bill of | Cragin
Messrs Cragin, Page & Co for merchandize furnished the House
of Correction amounting to one Hundred and twenty four and
94/100 dollars be paid by the City Treasurer provided the same be
approved and audited as usual. Read once.

Ordered: That the Mayor be | Mortgage
and he is hereby authorized to discharge a mortgage given by | discharged

284. John McElroy to the City of Boston on a parcel of real estate in Lancaster Street in the year 1859. the notes for which said Mortgage was given having been paid. Read once.

Cragin Ordered: That the bill of Cragin, Page & Co for articles furnished to the House of Reformation, amounting to seventeen dollars and thirty six cents be paid provided said bill is duly audited and approved. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Ninth day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Cheever.

Boston Light Artillery. Petition of the Boston Light Artillery Company for the use of a portion of the Common on the Seventeenth instant whereon to celebrate their Anniversary. Referred to the Committee on the Common with full power.

Petition of George G. Jacobs for the removal of certain obstructions in Pound Fast near Haymarket Square caused by piles of brick &c. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Jacobs

Petition of John G. Oliver for appointment as agent for the sale of &c. &c. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. | Oliver

Petition of Grace H. Jones and others for leave to take charge of engine No 13 at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. | Jones Engine No 13.

A communication from the Mayor transmitting another one from the Chief of Police respecting the dangerous condition of a certain wall on Washington Square, was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department with full power. | Washington Square dangerous wall.

A communication from E.B. W. Restieaux resigning his office as Inspector of Ward No 1 was received and placed on file. | Inspector of Ward No 1.

Whereas Timothy B. Rogers has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Essex Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land of Cornelius Mc Carty, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Timothy B. Rogers and Cornelius Mc Carty that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and | Essex Street Rogers Mc Carty.

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laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the sixteenth day of June instant at four oClock, PM, is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Bulfinch Winter Street.

Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four oClock, PM, take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common sewer in Winter Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Franklin Statue.

Notice was received from the Common Council that Joseph Buckley had been appointed a member of the Joint Special Committee on the Franklin Statue in place of F. L. Washburn resigned. Read and placed on file.

Chickering Baldwin Braman Regatta.

Petition of Thomas E. Chickering and others, J. L. Baldwin and others, J. L. Braman & others, praying the City Council to take into consideration the expediency of having a Regatta on Charles River on July fourth next. Referred to the Committee of arrangements on the celebration of the fourth of July in concurrence with the Common Council.

Phillips School House

A request of the School Committee that the Phillips School House may be offered during the ensuing school vacation was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence with the Common Council.

A communication from the Audi- June 9. 1856
tor, stating that it will be necessary to raise by taxation the sum Tax.
of thirty one thousand dollars to provide for the difference between additional
the estimate for the State Tax in the appropriation bill and the
amount required of the City by the Treasurer's Warrant of the thirty
first ult. - Read, was read and placed on file, and thereupon it was
Ordered: That, in addition to the amount authorized by the order of
the 30th of April last, - the sum of Thirty one thousand dollars be
raised on the Polls and Estates of the inhabitants of this City, ac-
cording to Law; - these sums being necessary to pay the current
expenditures (including the State Tax) of the City of Boston and
the County of Suffolk for the financial year 1856-57. Passed in Com-
mon Council - Yeas 35. Nays 4. Came up for concurrence. Read
twice and passed in concurrence. Yeas - Aldermen Bonney,
Brewster, Calhoun, Coolman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer,
Rich, Torrey and Wightman. 11. Nays, none. - Approved by the
Mayor, June 13. 1856.

The Common Council having Pawnbrokers
non-concurred with this Board in the amendment proposed to ordinance
the Ordinance in relation to Pawnbrokers, June 3d instant, mak-
ing the price of a license "fifty dollars" - said Ordinance came
back to this Board, whereupon this Board receded from its
former vote and concurred in the amendment proposed by
the Common Council whereby the price of a license is fixed at
one hundred dollars. - Approved by the Mayor, June 13. 1856.

Ordered: That the Treasurer Loan -
be and he hereby is authorized to borrow, under the direction Temporary -
of the Committee on Finance, a sum not exceeding Eight hun-

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dred thousand dollars, in anticipation of the income of the financial year 1856-7; and that all sums of money obtained under this order shall be made payable within the present financial year. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 35. Nays, none. Came up for concurrence. Read twice and passed in concurrence. Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Calnow, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich, Torrey, Wightman 11. Nays, none. Approved by the Mayor, June 13. 1856.

Loan Pub: Library Building.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to borrow under the direction of the Committee on Finance, a sum of money not exceeding Sixty thousand dollars and that the same be appropriated to meet in part the cost of the erection of the Public Library Building in conformity with the report of the Commissioners appointed for that purpose dated the third instant. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 33. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read twice and passed in concurrence. Yeas Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich, Torrey, Wightman 10. Nay, Alderman Calnow. 1. Approved by the Mayor, June 13. 1856.

Cragin, Page & Co.

The order of the Common Council to pay Cragin, Page & Co the sum of one hundred and twenty four $^{04}/_{100}$ dollars for merchandize furnished to the House of Correction, which was read at the last meeting of the Board, was read a second time and passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, June 13. 1856.

Steam Fire Engine

The order of the Common Council directing the Committee on Public Buildings to consider the expediency of locating the "Miles Greenwood" in Faneuil Hall Square

which was read at the last meeting of the board was read a second time and passed in concurrence. Transmitted to Mayor for approval June 12. and returned unsigned after the expiration of ten days thereafter. 284 June 9 1856

Franklin Statue

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the communication of F. W. Lincoln, Jr David Sears, Robt C. Winthrop, Stephen Fairbanks, Henry N. Hooper, Jared Sparks and Thos G. Appleton relative to a Statue of Benjamin Franklin Having considered the subject and conferred with the parties, respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying Preamble and Resolutions. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Whereas, a communication has been received by the City Council from Frad[k] W. Lincoln, Jr Pres[t] of the Mass: Charitable Mechanic's Association, David Sears, R.C. Winthrop, Stephen Fairbanks, H. N. Hooper, Jared Sparks and Thomas G. Appleton, in behalf of the subscribers for a statue of Benjamin Franklin, proposing to place said statue under the guardianship of the City, and within the grounds connected with the City Hall, in case satisfactory arrangements for that purpose should receive the sanction of the City Authorities, Be it now Resolved by the Board of Aldermen and Common Council, that the custody and guardianship of the Statue of Franklin are gratefully accepted and undertaken by his native City, and that a place be assigned for its reception and permanent location between the line of School Street and a line not less than sixty feet from the present line of the City Hall, and in front of the centre of said Hall. Resolved further, that should the City hereafter propose and adopt such improvements or alterations in the use or occupation of the present City Hall lot, as shall render the removal of the

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Statue expedient or necessary, said statue shall be removed by the City to such place as may be approved of by the Mayor of Boston, the President of the Mass: Charitable Mechanics Assn. the President of the Academy of Arts and Sciences, President of Mass: Historical Society, President of Mass: Humane Society, and President of Boston Board of Trade for the time being, or a majority of them. And it is hereby agreed that the persons who from time to time may hold the permanent offices thus designated, shall constitute a Board to whom any matters touching the preservation, condition or removal of the statue at any time hereafter may be referred, on the part of those who have contributed to its erection. Resolved further, that the Joint Special Committee now having this matter in charge, in concert with the Committee on behalf of the subscribers, have full power to prepare the site which has been selected for the reception of the statue, and to make arrangements for all such ceremonies as may be appropriate for its inauguration on the seventeenth of September next, or on such other day as may be substituted therefor. Read and accepted, and the resolves having been read twice were passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 14. 1856.

Long & Central Wharves.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was recommitted the preamble and resolution relating to the contemplated improvements in Long and Central Wharf docks, dated May 19. 1856. report that the same ought to pass with the words 'of five years' inserted in the blank of said resolution. For the Committee, A. Farnsworth. In Common Council Read and accepted and said Preamble and resolve passed (as recorded on page 230) Came up for concurrence. Read twice

and passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor June 13. 1856. 291.

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Mortgage discharged.

The order of June 3d authorizing the Mayor to discharge a mortgage given by John W. Craig to the City for an estate in Lancaster Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1856.

Gold Street sewer.

The order of June third for the collection of the assessments laid on the abuttors in Gold Street for the construction of a Sewer in said Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1856.

Monmouth Street sewer.

The order of June third for the collection of assessments laid on the abuttors in Monmouth Street for the construction of a Sewer in said Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1856.

Harrison Avenue.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on Harrison Avenue caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to H. H. Hunnewell, T. C. Frull, Esq. which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said lot, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Gray, Jr. Page & Co.

The order of June third for the payment of seventeen dollars and thirty six cents to Gray, Jr. Page & Co. for merchandize furnished to the House of Reforma-

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lion was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 12. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 14. 1856.

Wood.

The order of June third to pay Moses Wood, $ six hundred dollars for damages sustained from the widening of Federal (late Sea) Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1856.

Apthorp

The order of June third to pay H. O. & R. C. Apthorp twenty five hundred forty two $\frac{50}{100}$ dollars for land taken to widen Tremont Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 10. 1856.

Federal Street.

The resolve and order of June third to widen Federal (late Sea) Street by taking land of Andrew Harrington was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 10. 1856.

House of Industry Directors.

The Board having deemed it expedient to elect seven Directors of the Houses of Industry &c. and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Board of Directors, it appeared that William Dall, Timothy C. Kendall, John Cowdin, John Kent, Mark Goggins, David K. Mc Gilvray & John C. Bucknam were chosen. Sent down for concurrence.

Consulting Physicians

The Common Council having again elected James Jackson as one of the Consulting Physicians they not concurring with this Board in the choice of Augustus A. Gould, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballot having been taken and counted it appeared that on

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the second ballot James Ayer was elected in concurrence.

Leave was granted to Louis Viaul and others to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Varieties on Thursday the 12th instant on condition that he pay the usual charge for a license and for five Police Officers to attend said exhibition. Viaul

Ordered that Bryan & Milroy was licensed to sell blacking on the usual conditions. Bryan

On petitions of John A. Dix for leave to construct Coal Holes under the sidewalk in Tremont & Boylston Streets — of C. Barfield for leave to display a hanging sign in Washington Street, the Committee on Leave reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Dix. Barfield.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized, if they deem it expedient, to alter the present Ward Room of Ward No. 4. as will make it more commodious, than at present, for the Fall elections. A. Read once. Ward Room No. 4.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be directed to inquire and adopt such measures as may be necessary to insure the safe keeping of the records and the documents of the Common Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read once, Com: Council papers

Ordered: That the sum of two thousand dollars be appropriated, A. for the purpose of engaging one or more Bands of Music to perform on the Common nel Music

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exceeding twice a week for three months from the fourteenth of June current, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read once.

Chelsea Votes Com^ee on

Aldermen Jackson and Brewster were appointed a Committee to examine the returns of votes given in the several Wards this day, for and against the annexation of Chelsea to Boston.

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at 3 o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Tenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Gallow and Cheever.

Hiler

Petition of Hiler's heirs for abatement of an assessment for the construction of a Sewer in Webster Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

Petition of Thomas Richardson | 295.
that the payment of his taxes may be postponed & await the | June 10 1856
result of his suit against the City. Read & to the Committee on | Richardson
the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. June 12.
Came up concurred.

Agreeably to the report of the | Boston Light
Committee on the Common leave was granted to the Boston Light | Artillery
Artillery Company to occupy a portion of the Common on the seven
teenth of June instant.

The Committee appointed to ex= | Chelsea
amine the returns of votes given in the several Wards on the ninth | votes on
instant for and against the acceptance of an Act of the Legisla
ture entitled "An Act to re annex Chelsea to Boston, passed April 30
1856. having attended to that duty, report: That the returns are
properly made, and the votes correctly recorded in the Book kept
for that purpose, from which it appears that the whole number of Yeas
is 1318 Nays 3420 and that said Act has accordingly been rejected.
Edwin Jackson, Osmyn Brewster. Committee. Read and accepted.

The Joint Standing Committee | Farwell
on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of
John H. Farwell asking an abatement of his personal tax for
the year 1855, have duly considered the same and report, that
the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Os=
myn Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for
concurrence. June 12. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Com= | Peoples Ferry
mittee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the pe | Company.
tition of the Peoples Ferry Company asking an abatement of the

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tax assessed upon them for the year 1854, have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Cmyn Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 12. Came up concurred.

King Union Works.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of John G. King and Samuel F. Snow asking an abatement of tax on the "Union Works" at South Boston have duly considered the same and ask leave to report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. Cmyn Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 12. Came up concurred.

Com: Council papers

The order of the Common Council for the Committee on Public Buildings to consider the expediency of providing for the safe keeping of the records and documents of the Common Council, which was read once at the last meeting was read a second time and passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, June 13, 1856

Jacobs Friend Street

On petition of George W. Jacobs and others. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify George W. Gerrish or whoever may be the owner of the bricks piled up in Friend Street between Sudbury Street and Faneuil Hall Square to cause the same to be removed within twelve days of the date of this order, and if the same are not removed at the expiration of this period, the Chief of Police is further directed to cause the said bricks to be removed at the expense of the owner thereof, and said Friend Street opened to travel. Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That the orders passed March 27th 1854 to pay Mary Ann Otis five hundred and fifty dollars; and July 31st 1855 to pay Lewis Reed two hundred dollars, both for damages to estates on Fayette Street occasioned by the change of grade of Church Street be and the same are hereby annulled. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 16. 1856. June 16 1856 Otis Reed

The order, which came from the Common Council at the last meeting of the Board to provide music on the Common, having been read a second time was passed in concurrence with the following amendment at 1. insert, "under the direction of the Committee on the Common &c." Sent down for concurrence. June 12. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 14. 1856. Music on the Common

The Committee on Paving, under an order of the last Board of Aldermen, have procured from the City Engineer plans for constructing a bridge across the Boston and Worcester Railroad track on Albany Street, together with an estimate of the cost of the same, which accompanies this Report. It will be seen that the estimated cost is Fifty per thousand eight Hundred and eighty eight dollars. This is not an ordinary expenditure, and as it was not contemplated that the Paving Appropriation should meet such extraordinary outlays, your Committee would respectfully suggest that the amount of Sixty thousand dollars be borrowed to prosecute this work. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed. Albany Street bridge.

The order of June ninth authorizing the Committee on Public Buildings to make the Ward Ward four wardroom.

room of Ward No 4. more commodious was read a second time and was passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Coffin
Second hand
articles

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the petition of Wm C. Coffin and others for an amendment of the Ordinance relating to "Junk Shops & Dealers in Second Hand Articles", having considered the subject, recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman... An Ordinance forbidding said dealers to purchase Pig Iron in less quantities than one ton. Read once.

Metropolitan
Rail Road

Agreeably to assignment the Board resumed the hearing on the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road by a single track through Washington Street from Dover to Boylston Streets, and through Boylston Street from Washington Street to Tremont Street. Rufus Choate, Thos T. Barlow and Wm Brigham, Esquires, appeared in behalf of Geo. H. Richn, President Boylston Market Association, Josiah Fox and others members of the said association, H. Brigham and others owners of said association and Joseph Ballard and others real estate owners in this city - who filed remonstrances against said proposed location. After hearing the statements of Geo. T. Curtis, Moses Clark and other witnesses on behalf of the said remonstrants, the counsel submitted the case to the consideration of the Board. The Metropolitan Rail Road Company did not appear in person or by counsel on this occasion. On motion of Alderman Rich the subject was laid on the table - and the Board

Adjourned to Thursday next, at 3½ o'Clock. PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Twelfth day of June, Anno Domini, 1836.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Quincy.

Petition of Cyrus Mason for leave to construct vaults under the sidewalks No. 1 of Cornhill. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Mason

Petition of Alvan Simonds and others that a Culvert be constructed in Dorchester Avenue near the Mechanic's Bank. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Simonds.

Petition of John L. Swift and others for the use of Faneuil Hall on the 23d of June for a political meeting; — of Oliver Frost and others for the use of said Hall on the 17th instant for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. — Swift. Frost.

Petition of Gilbert & Pierce to be paid for drawing plans and for services rendered to the Sewer Department. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. — Pierce

Communication from Samuel Nicolson offering to sell to the City his right to the Patent for "Nicolson Pavement". Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Nicolson pavement.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets in laying the sidewalks in Sumner and Paris Streets where the abutters have not complied with the orders — Sumner & Paris Sts.

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of this Board of Aldermen to have said Sidewalks laid is authorized to close all openings into the said Streets which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City, and remove all such projections on the line of said Streets as he shall deem dangerous. Read twice and passed.

Junk Shops Second Hand Articles

The Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance concerning Junk Shops and dealers in Second Hand Articles which was reported at the last meeting of the Board was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 19. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 21. 1856.

South Russell Street nuisance

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No 153. South Russell Street caused by defective drains, water in cellar, and a want of conductors for conveying water from said premises, belonging to A. B. Potter, which is dangerous to the Health of the inhabitants, it is Hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by causing good and sufficient drains to be laid as also proper conductors for conveying water from said building at the expense of said parties who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Kilby Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to replace Kilby Street from Central to Leane Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dan-

gerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

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Ordered to notice the Board took up the subject of the proposed location of a second track of the Cambridge Railroad in Cambridge Street from Chambers Street to Bowdoin Square. Remonstrance from George W. Thatcher, and another from Moses Grant and others against said location were read to the Board. Henry M. & H. G. Parker, Esquires, appeared as Counsel for the remonstrants and having filed a protest against the present mode of paving the road, they introduced testimony in favor of the remonstrants, and after the arguments by the Messrs Parkers in favor of the remonstrants, and by G. G. Hubbard, Esq, on behalf of the road, the hearing was closed, and the further consideration of the subject was referred to the Committee on Paving.

Cambridge Rail Road location.

On motion of Alderman Rich the papers in relation to the extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road were taken from the table and were referred to the Committee on Paving.

Metropolitan Rail Road location.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at four O'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Sixteenth day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Rich and Cheever.

Jurors

Four Grand and three Petit Jurors drawn for the United States District Court - Fourteen traverse Jurors drawn for the Superior Court.

Newhall Jr. & Ch.

Petition of Cheever Newhall, Jr. President of the Dorchester Avenue Horse Railroad Company for a change in the width and line of the draw of the North Free Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Bridges.

Young.

Petition of George C. Young & others that a common Sewer be laid in White Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Taplin Emmons

Petition of C. G. Taplin and others that White Street may be graded - of John L. Emmons and others that this Place may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Brown

Petition of C. C. & A. Brown &c. for leave to construct Coal Vaults in Congress Street and Channing Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Tyler. City Guards Fremont Street.

Petition of John S. Tyler that a portion of Fremont Street, between West and Mason Streets, be closed against vehicles on the Seventeenth instant, between three and four o'clock, P.M. during the reception of a Standard by the City Guards. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Petition of J. B. Wright and H. W. Fenno for leave to discharge Fireworks in front of the National Theatre, June seventeenth instant. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department with full power. | 303. June 10. 1836 Wright & Fenno.

Remonstrance of Edward R. Mayo against the proposed removal of a wooden building across Pleasant Street from Osborn Place. Referred to the Committee on Paving and Fire Department. | Mayo.

Petition of Edward L. Peters, Jr. and others that a nuisance on Washington Street between Newton and Rutland Streets may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. | Peters.

Petition of George W. Gerrish that the lines of Sudbury Street be given to him and that he be allowed further time in which to remove the pile of bricks in Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Gerrish Sudbury Street.

Petition of the Trustees of the Massachusetts General Hospital to be paid for land taken to extend North Charles Street; of Moses Grant and others to be paid for such portion of Scott's Court as has been taken to extend Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Mass: Gen'l Hospital Grant

Petition of the Peoples' Ferry Company that the passageways leading to their Slips be laid out as public highways. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Peoples Ferry Company.

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Salaries Com.ee

A certificate from the Common Council that Ezra Farnsworth was appointed on the Joint Special Committee on Salaries vice Mr. Washburn who is absent from the Country was read and placed on file.

Frost Fan: Hall Swift.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Faneuil Hall, the use of the Hall was granted to Oliver Frost and others for June 17. 1856, and to John G. Swift and others for June 23d 1856, on the usual conditions.

Salaries Rt. of Com.ee

The report of the Joint Special Committee on Salaries of City and County Officers for 1856 57, being City Document № 39. was recommitted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Dyer

Petition of Micah Dyer, Jr to be refunded costs in certain cases vs. the City respecting intra-mural interments. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. June 19. Came up concurred.

Ap Thorp

Petition of Robert B. Apthorp for leave to construct a Bay Window, which will overlook the Public Library Lot. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. June 19. Came up concurred.

Safford

Petition of N. G. Safford to be paid for work done on the Cooper Street Nursery, which bill the Superintendent of Public Buildings has refused to allow. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. June 19. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Harbor to which was referred the petition for the removal of George P. Parkhurst from the office of Harbor Master have considered the same and report that in the opinion of the Committee the said petition ought not to pass. By order of the Committee, Oliver Fuller. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and accepted. | June 11. 1856. Harbor Master.

An Ordinance to repeal in part "an Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department, passed Dec. 17. 1855." Referred in Common Council to the Committee on Ordinances. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. | Fire Department ordinance.

The Common Council having amended the order of this Board respecting the alteration of the Ward room of Ward No 4. by inserting at "4." or provide a suitable room elsewhere" - said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, June 17. 1856. | Ward four Ward Room. (see page 295)

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of N. G. Slimson and others for the use of a room in the Boylston School House in which to hold a Sabbath School, submit this as their report, that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Geo. W. Torrey, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 19. Came up concurred. | Slimson.

The Board having deemed it expedient to elect seven Overseers of the House of Correction, and | House of Correction.

Feb. the ballots having been taken and counted for said number of
June 16. 1836. Directors it appeared that Farnham Plummer, Thacher Beal,
Thomas D. Demond, Ezra N. Baker, Bradley N. Cummings, Henry J.
Daland, and Otis Norcross were chosen. Sent down for concurrence

House of Industry Directors. The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the election of Messrs Dall, Kendall, Kent, M.Murray, and Bucknam as Directors of the Houses of Industry &c and having non-concurred in the election of Messrs Bowdin and Goggins, in whose places that Branch chose Samuel Snead and Thomas D. Demond, said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having been taken and counted for two Directors as above, it appeared that John Bowdin and Mark Goggins were chosen by this Board thereby nonconcurring with the Common Council in the choice of said Snead and Demond. Sent down for concurrence. June 19. came up concurred.

Chauncy Street. Rollins Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Chauncy Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to James K. Mills and James M. Rollins, Trustees of Margaret Coffin bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Chauncy Street, there measuring one hundred and fifty six feet and $\frac{39}{100}$; Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Summer Street, $\frac{41}{100}$ of a foot; Northwestwardly by the present line of Chauncy Street, one hundred and fifty six feet and $\frac{43}{100}$, and Southwestwardly by a passageway $\frac{41}{100}$ of a foot; containing fifty four

square feet and 10, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated June 16th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Chauncy street as aforesaid, will amount to Three hundred and twenty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 17, 1856.

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The Committee on laying out and widening Streets, to whom was referred the petition of William Amory and others asking to be paid for land taken to widen Camden Street and Shawmut Avenue on the thirtieth of May 1855, respectfully report the accompanying order to pay the St: Vincent De Pauls Orphan Asylum for said land for the reason that said Amory has disposed of his interest in the land so taken to said Asylum. For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to the St: Vincent De Pauls Orphan Asylum the sum of Twenty two hundred forty seven $\frac{50}{100}$ Dollars for land taken to widen Camden Street and Shawmut Avenue in the name of William Amory on the thirtieth of May 1855 upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge

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for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 17. 1856

Kilby Street.

The order of June 12th instant for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Kilby Street from Central to Doane Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 17. 1856.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, Samuel M. King was appointed a Special Police Officer for Broad Street, near Russia Wharf, and Rufus G. Brackett for Lilly Wharf.

Library Trustee.

A communication from the Mayor transmitting the resignation of Thomas G. Appleton as a Trustee of the Public Library was read and laid on the table.

Mount Hope Cemetery.

A communication from the Proprietors of Mount Hope Cemetery inviting the Board of Aldermen to visit that Cemetery was read and accepted for Thursday next at three and a half o'clock, P.M.

Lyon Street Mc Carty

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Lyon Street by taking land of Cornelius Mc Carty, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Winter Street Sewer.

Agreeably to notice Ralph Frunkington Dr. Parsons and others appeared and objected to the proposed construction of a sewer in Winter Street as prayed for by M. H. Ballou whereupon the further consideration of the subject was laid upon the table.

On petition of Cyrus Mason for leave to construct vaults under the sidewalk at No 1 Cornhill, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | 309. June 16. 1836. Mason

Leave was granted to Susan L. Burt to keep an Intelligence Office at 92 Sudbury Street on the usual conditions. | Intelligence Office.

Ordered: That under the direction of the Committee on the Common there be appropriated the sum of five hundred dollars for the purpose of engaging one or more Bands of Music to perform at East and South Boston, not exceeding once a fortnight at each place for the ensuing three months and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read once. | Music at East & South Boston.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Federal, late Sea street should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Southeastwardly by a continuation in a northeasterly direction, of the line of widening of the said street, as the same was adopted by an order of the Board of Aldermen, passed May 30th 1835, - there measuring Sixty seven feet; Northwestwardly by the Mariners church, $\frac{2}{10}$ of a foot; Northwestwardly by land of Solomon Piper, forty nine feet and $\frac{2}{10}$; Northeastwardly by the same, $\frac{35}{100}$ of a foot; Northwestwardly by the same, fourteen feet and $\frac{5}{10}$, and westwardly by the same, three feet and $\frac{3}{10}$; containing one hundred and ten square feet and $\frac{7}{10}$, more or less. It is therefore Ordered, That the portion of the said street before described be, and the same hereby is discontinued as | Federal street discontinuance

310. a public street or way of the said City - according to a plan of
June 16. 1856. the same made by James Slade, City Engineer dated June 16th
1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen.
Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board
of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday
the Twenty third day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,
The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Jurors Twenty two Grand Jurors
were drawn for the Municipal Court.

Petition of J. B. Eaton for leave to erect a stable for more than four horses on Northampton Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. | 311. June 23. 1856. Eaton.

Petition of the Howard Engine Company No. 7. for leave to change their name to Tiger Engine Company No. 7. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department | Engine Co. No. 7.

Petition of Crosby, Nichols & Co. and others that a nuisance caused by a Piggery in Harvard Place may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. | Crosby

Petition of Lewis G. Whilon and others, that Gas Lamps be placed and lighted in K. Street of J. H. Fogg and others, that Gas Lamps be placed and lighted in Dorchester Street. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. | Whilon. Fogg.

Petition of N. W. Suter & others that a Common Sewer be constructed in Waltham Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. | Suter

Petition of Ephraim Allen and others that Harrison Avenue between Eliot and Beach Streets be repaved. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Allen

Petition of J. S. Eaton and others that Beach Street be renumbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Eaton

A communication from the Chief of Police complaining of the constant obstruction of Haverhill Street near the Bridge, by teams attending the Freight Sta- | Haverhill Street

tion of the Boston and Maine Rail Road Company. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Todd. Petition of Reuben J. Todd & others that measures be taken to prevent the surface water from flowing on to their land between Dorchester and Highland Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Simmons. Thomas. Winter Street. Remonstrances of John Simmons and Alexander Thomas against the proposed construction of a new Sewer in Winter Street, were read and placed on file.

Rice. Petition of Dan Rice for leave to give a Circus Exhibition on the Public Garden one week in July next. Referred to the Committees on Licenses and on the Common.

Piper & Essex Street. Petition of Solomon Piper & others, that Essex Street may be widened by taking land of Emery & Fay. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Hobart. Petition of Peter Hobart Jr. to be paid for damages sustained by the widening of Federal (late Sea) Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Dixwell. Petition of J. J. Dixwell and others that Bowdoin Square be widened by taking land in front of the Baptist Church. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Special Police. On nomination by the Mayor, Peter Otto was appointed a Special Police Officer at the South Boston Nursery - Vice Harvey for Otis and Eugene Knowles &c. Jesse

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On nomination by the Mayor, Abram N. S. Simpson and Ezekiel W. Hodgdon were appointed Police Officers of this City. | Police.

Whereas Emery B. Fay has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Essex and Lincoln streets, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Essex Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Emery B. Fay that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the thirtieth day of June current at four Oclock, P. M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. | Fay Essex Street.

On motion of Alderman Plummer the resignation of Thomas G. Appleton as a Trustee of the Public Library was taken from the Table, and was read and sent down - and the Ballots having been taken and counted for a trustee in place of T. G. Appleton, resigned, it appeared that William W. Greenough was chosen. Sent down for concurrence, June 26. Came up concurred. | Trustee Pub. Library.

Ordered: That the bill of Samuel Hatch, a member of the City Council, to the amount of Forty one dollars and eighty one cents for expenses and commissions on the sale of the School House lot on West Cedar Street, | Hatch

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be allowed and paid, provided the same is duly audited and approved in the usual manner. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. June 26. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor June 27. 1856.

House of Correction Overseers.

The Common Council having concurred with this Board in the election of Hezro Read, Osmond Baker, Cummings and Norcup as Overseers of the House of Correction, and having chosen Otis Rich and William F. Nichols in place of Farnham Plummer and Henry F. Garland chosen by this Branch, said action came up for concurrence. And the ballots having been taken and counted for two Overseers it appeared that Farnham Plummer and William F. Nichols were chosen the latter in concurrence, and the former in place of Otis Rich elected by the other branch. Sent down for concurrence.

Port Physician.

The report of the Port Physician for the quarter ending March 31st last came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Dunckle.

Petition of John Dunckle that the City would refund the purchase money of an estate in Broad Street, and the costs and damages sustained by him in consequence of the invalidity of the sale of said land by the City to him was referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence.

Music

The order which came up from the Common Council at the last meeting of the Board to provide Music at East and South Boston, was read a second time and was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor June 20. 1856

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Charles C. Beaver for leave to participate in the proceeds of a lot of land sold by the City which was relinquished to him by the City, would recommend its reference to the Committee on Claims as it more appropriately belongs to that Committee. For the Committee, Farnham Hummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. June 26. Came up concurred. June 25. 1856. Beaver.

Ordered: That Messrs Thayer, Provisions
Trist and Mullin with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a committee to consider and report what modifications, if any, can be made in the Ordinances regulating the sale of provisions in this City that shall more effectually secure the interests of purchasers and consumers thereof. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read twice and concurred and Aldermen Torrey and Gibbon were joined. Approved by the Mayor, June 26. 1856. cost of

Petition of Luther Drew for a release of certain conditions of sale in lots of land on Providence Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. June 26. Came up concurred. Drew

Petition of Bray and Stoddard that the bonds given to them for land sold in West Cedar Street may be cancelled and new ones given to them for certain reasons. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. June 26. Came up concurred. Bray Stoddard

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Gerrish.

On petition of George W. Gerrish for the lines of Sudbury Street, and that he be allowed such time to remove the pile of bricks in Friend Street, the Committee on Streets reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

City Registrar Records

The Committee on Cemeteries to whom was referred the petition of the City Registrar that certain volumes of Records in his office be copied upon parchment, reported that in accordance with the suggestions of the City Registrar they have authorized the copying of the said records. Read and accepted.

Dorchester Avenue.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Dorchester Avenue from the Dorchester line to the Old Colony Railroad track. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor June 26. 1856.

Washington Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists between Worcester Square and Springfield Street on Washington Street, caused by stagnant water and a want of proper drainage on said premises, belonging to N.N. Hunnewell, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants; it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said land at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance. Read twice and passed.

Federal Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the discontinuance of a portion of Federal (late Sea Street, adjoining the estate of Solomon Piper,

was read a second time and was passed. Approved by the Mayor, June 26. 1856. 317.

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Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify William Tillyphase to remove the obstructions projecting over the line of Warwick Square from his estate, within twenty days of the date of this order, and if the said obstructions are not removed at the expiration of the above mentioned period, then the Chief of Police is further directed to cause the same to be forthwith removed. Tillyphase Warwick Square

To prevent accidents, and for the greater convenience of citizens and processions during the day, and of persons visiting the Common on the evening of the Fourth of July, 1856. Ordered: That the following arrangements be made in regard to carriages: At ten o'clock, A.M. carriages, wagons &c., will be excluded from the streets through which the Municipal Procession will pass. At six o'clock P.M., all carriages, vehicles, refreshment stands, &c, will be excluded from Tremont street, at School and Beacon, Bromfield at Washington, Winter at Washington, West at Washington, Avery at Washington, Boylston at Washington, Tremont at Eliot, Pleasant at Eliot, Church at Railroad Depot, the Western Avenue at Prince Head, Granite Head at Chestnut, Fox at Mount Vernon, Temple at Mount Vernon, and Beacon at Bowdoin streets, until after the Fireworks are discharged and the people have left the Common. And the Chief of Police is hereby authorized and directed to carry the above order into effect. Read twice and passed. Streets to be closed.

A communication from the proprietors of Mount Hope Cemetery inviting the Board to visit that Mount Hope Cemetery

Cemetery on Tuesday the twenty fourth instant at three and a half oClock, PM, was read, and said invitation was accepted.

Nicolson

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Samuel Nicolson that the City would buy his patent right for laying down wooden pavement have considered the same and submit the following report; That they consider the improvement of Nicolsons pavement a valuable one if the results take place which its inventor predicts. The Committee do not deem it expedient to go into a detailed statement in relation to the merits of this pavement, but would recommend a perusal of the pamphlet on the subject by Mr. Nicolson. The City have tried the experiment of laying down this pavement in certain parts of the City but the Committee do not consider it has been laid down a sufficient length of time to test its durability. The Committee would not therefore recommend any considerable outlay by the City on account of this pavement, and would respectfully report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Brown

The Committee on Paving, to whom was referred the petition of J. C. & N. Brown & Co. for leave to construct Coal Vaults in Congress and Channing Streets, reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Superior Court

Ordered: That Messrs Sulis, Johnson and Prescott with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to cause such further accommodations to be provided as are required for the Superior Court for the County of

Suffolk. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read once.

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Summer Street. Mills et al vs Giffen

Resolved, That the safety & convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Summer Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to James K. Mills and James M. Robbins, Trustees of Margaret Giffen - bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Summer Street, three hundred eighty four feet and 4/10; Southeasterly by land now or late of George S. Ellis, six feet and 36/100; Northeasterly by the present line of Summer Street, eighty four feet and 25/100, and Northwesterly by Chauncy Street seven feet and 60/100: containing five hundred and eighty one square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is Therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated June 16th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Summer Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Said widening of said street, and taking of land being in accordance with an agreement made between the City and the abuttors on said street, and recorded in City Records, May 22d 1848. Vol. 26. page 220. Read once.

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Haskins
Beverly Street.

Ordered: That there be paid to Nathan Haskins the sum of thirty nine hundred and fifty five dollars for land taken to widen Beverly Street, April 1854. in the name of the Heirs of N. G. Otis, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Essex Street
Mr Early.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Essex Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to C. Mr Early bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Essex Street, there measuring thirty three feet and 8/10; Eastwardly by land of John Sargent eight feet and 73/100; Southwestwardly by the present line of the said Street, thirty six feet; and Northwestwardly by land of Mrs. Mary Early, five feet and 2/10: containing two hundred and thirty nine square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by S. H. Knight, Asst City Engineer dated — and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Essex Street, as aforesaid, will amount

to seven hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates & previous allowances or discontinuances in said sheet, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once. 331. June 23. 1856

On motion of Alderman Wightman, the order, which was laid upon the table June 3d respecting an amendment of the rules of this Board was taken from the table and was amended by striking out all after the word "Ordered" (as on page 200) and inserting as follows,- That the rule requiring all orders and ordinances to lie upon the table until a subsequent meeting of the Board, passed May 19. 1856. be rescinded so far as relates to orders of inquiry, to the papers from the Common Council, and to orders relating to Internal and External Health Departments." Upon the question of the passage of said order as amended, the Yeas and Nays being required, they were taken as follows- Yeas.- Aldermen Brewster, Barlow, Chever, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Hammer, Rich, Torrey, Wightman 11 Nay- Alderman Bonney- one. Two thirds of the Board voting in the affirmative the order as amended, was passed. Rules of Board of Aldermen.

On motion of Alderman Torrey the Board took from the table the report and order respecting the enlargement of the Work Shops at the House of Correction at South Boston, as per City Document No 19. and the question being on the adoption of said order (as recorded page 226) Alderman Torrey moved to amend the same by striking out all after the word "Ordered"- and inserting as follows "that the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of the Board House of Correction Work shops.

of Aldermen be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause the Male Wing of the present House of Correction at South Boston to be extended in a southwesterly direction about one hundred and ten feet so as to provide two hundred and forty new cells also to cause an addition to be made to the present brick and tiled workshop. the expense of said extension of the wing and the enlargement of the workshop will be more than five thousand dollars and will not exceed Forty thousand dollars. Read and laid on the table: and the Committee were directed to report a plan and estimates of the proposed additions.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twenty sixth day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Kinney.

Sp: Police

On nomination by the Mayor,

William B. Scott was appointed a Special Police Officer to superintendent the erection of Fire works &c. 323. June 26. 1856.

Ordered: That the first and third volumes of the records of Births, Marriages and Deaths in the office of the City Registrar be copied upon parchment or paper under the direction of the Committee on Cemeteries — the expense of the same to be charged to the appropriation for Cemeteries. Read once. Births, Deaths & Marriages records &c.

Ordered: By the Board of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston, in City Council assembled, as follows: The Salaries of the several City and County Officers for the year beginning on the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and fifty six, shall be as herein mentioned, to be paid quarter-yearly, unless herein otherwise ordered. Section 1. The salary of the Mayor shall be as fixed by the Convention of the City Council, on the twenty eighth day of June, eighteen hundred and fifty five, viz: at the rate of Three thousand dollars per annum, commencing with the first Monday of January last. Sect. 2. The salary of the City Treasurer shall be at the rate of Three thousand dollars per annum, for performing the duties of City and County Treasurer, and Collector, and there shall be allowed him the sum of Six thousand dollars per annum to be paid his clerks; and he shall account for all fees, moneys and commissions which he shall receive in said capacity. Sect. 3. The salary of the City Engineer shall be at the rate of Twenty eight hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the Assistant Engineer shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Salaries Vide vide Doc. N° 29.

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Sect. 4. The Salary of the City Solicitor shall be at the rate of Twenty five hundred dollars per annum, which shall be in full for his services, and for all Assistants that he may employ. Sect. 5. The Salary of the Auditor of Accounts shall be at the rate of Twenty five hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the sum of Twenty two hundred dollars per annum to be paid to two permanent clerks; and he shall account for all sums of money received by him in said capacity. Sect. 6. The Salary of the City Clerk shall be at the rate of Twenty three hundred dollars per annum; and he shall be allowed the further sum of Twenty six hundred dollars to be paid to his assistant clerks, (one of whom shall be required to prepare the annual voting List) and he shall account for all fees, for recording mortgages of personal property, and for all other sums of money received in his official capacity. Sect. 7. The Salary of the Chief of Police shall be at the rate of eighteen hundred dollars per annum. The Salary of the first Police Deputy shall be at the rate of twelve hundred dollars per annum. The Salary of the second Police Deputy shall be at the rate of eight hundred dollars per annum. The Salary of the Clerk of the Police Department shall be at the rate of eleven hundred dollars per annum. The Salary of the Captains of Police Stations shall be at the rate of Three dollars per day, payable monthly. The Salary of the Lieutenants of Police Stations shall be at the rate of Two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The Salary of the Detective Officers of the Police shall be Two dollars and fifty cents per day, payable monthly. The Salary of the Day and Night Police Officers shall be at the rate of Two dollars per day, payable monthly. Sect. 8 The Salary of the Superintendent of Common Sew-

ers shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Sewers & Drains, and he shall be allowed to hire at the expense of the City a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Sewers and Drains, but the amount shall not exceed two hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 9. The salary of the Superintendent of Wells shall be at the rate of Seventeen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Paving, and the Committee on Paving shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables, for which they shall approve the bills. Sect. 10. The salary of the Superintendent of Public Buildings shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Public Buildings, and he shall be allowed to hire at the expense of the City, a horse and chaise, provided the bills for the same be approved by the Chairman of the Committee on Public Buildings. Sect. 11. The salary of the Superintendent of Public Lands shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall act as Secretary to the Committee on Public Lands. Sect. 12. The salary of the Superintendent of Health shall be at the rate of Fourteen hundred dollars per annum. B. And the Committee on Internal Health shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of the City, and have the same kept at the City Stables, for which they shall approve the bills. C. And the salary of his Assistant Clerk shall be at the rate of Seven hundred and twenty dollars per annum. Sect. 13. The salary of the City Register shall be

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at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed Seven Hundred dollars per annum to be paid a permanent Clerk; and he shall account to the City for all fees for entering and publishing intentions of marriage, and for interments of the dead; and for his Assistant Registrars he shall be paid a sum not exceeding ten cents for information furnished concerning each birth, and he shall be allowed one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid for extra clerk hire. Sect. 14. The salary of the Clerk of the Common Council shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 15. The salary of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum, and he shall account for all sums of money received by him in his official capacity. The salary of the Deputy Superintendent shall be at the rate of Eight hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 16. The salary of the Harbor Master shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the sum of Eight hundred dollars to be paid to two boatmen, and the further sum of One hundred and fifty dollars to be paid for the rent of office and boat-house. Sect. 17. The salary of the Librarian of the Public Library shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect 18 The salary of the City Physician shall be at the rate of One thousand dollars per annum. Sect. 19. The salary of the Port Physician shall be at the rate of Two hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient house room, free of rent, and board for himself and his family, but no other pay or perquisites shall be allowed him. Sect. 20. The salary of the Messenger of the City Council shall be at the rate of

Eleven hundred dollars per annum. The salary of the Assistant Messenger shall be at the rate of Three hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 21. The salary of each of the officers appointed by the Board of Aldermen to take charge of Truant and Vagrant Children, shall be at the rate of one thousand dollars per annum. Sect. 22. There shall be paid to a Clerk (to be elected annually by the City Council) who shall act as Secretary to any and all Joint Standing and Special Committees of the City Council when requested to do so, and perform such clerical duties as may be required of him by the Mayor or Aldermen, at the rate of Seven hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 23. There shall be paid to a Porter, whose duty it shall be to make all the fires, and do all the cleaning necessary in the City Hall, the sum of Seven hundred and fifty dollars. And there shall be paid to a Porter whose duty it shall be to make all the fires, and do all the cleaning necessary in the City Building, (so called,) the sum of Two hundred dollars per annum; the whole to be done to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Public Buildings. Sect. 24. The salary of the Water Registrar shall be at the rate of Thirteen hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 25. The salary of the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall shall be at the rate of Two hundred dollars Sect. 26. The salary of the Superintendent of Fire Alarms shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 27. The salary of the Chief Engineer of the Fire Department shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum; and that of the Assistant Engineers shall be at the rate of Two hundred and fifty dollars per annum; that of the Secretary of the Board of Engineers shall be at the rate of Eight Hund-

392 ral dollars per annum, which shall be in full payment for
June 26. 1856. all the services which may be required of him by the Mayor
and Aldermen, the Chief Engineer, and the Board of Engineers.
The Foremen of the respective Engine, Hose, and Hook and Ladder Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred and fifty dollars each, per annum, except the Foremen of the several East Boston Companies, who shall receive at the rate of seventy five dollars per annum. The Assistant Foremen and Clerks shall be paid at the rate of one hundred and twenty five dollars per annum, each, except the Assistant Foremen and Clerks of the several East Boston Companies, who shall be paid at the rate of sixty dollars each, per annum. The Stewards of said Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred and twenty five dollars each, per annum, except the several Stewards of the East Boston Companies, who shall be paid at the rate of sixty dollars per annum, and all other members of said Companies shall be paid at the rate of one hundred dollars each, per annum, except the members of the several East Boston Companies, who shall be paid at the rate of fifty dollars each, per annum. All the salaries above named, except that of the Chief engineer, and the Secretary of the Board of engineers, shall be paid semi-annually. Sect. 2. The salary of the Superintendent of the Mount Washington Avenue Bridge shall be at the rate of six hundred and fifty dollars per annum. The salary of the Assistant Superintendent shall be at the rate of five hundred dollars per annum; which salaries shall be in full for their services, and for all and any Assistants they may employ. Sect. 3. The salary of the Superintendent of the Boston Fire Bridge shall be at the rate of nine hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be

allowed the use of the shop on said Bridge, rent free; the said compensation and privileges to be in full for his services, and the services of such Assistants as he may employ. Sect. 30. The salary of the Superintendent of the Boston Public Free Bridge shall be at the rate of Five hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed the use of the house and shop on said Bridge, rent free. The said compensation and privileges to be in full for services of himself and Assistants. Sect. 31 The salary of the Superintendent of the East Boston and Chelsea Bridge shall be at the rate of Three hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 32. The salary of the Superintendent of the Boston Lunatic Hospital shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient house room, free of rent, and board for himself and his family in said Hospital, which compensation and privileges shall be in full for his services as Superintendent of said Hospital, and also as Physician to all the Public Institutions at South Boston. Sect. 33. The salary of the Master of the House of Correction shall be at the rate of Twelve hundred dollars per annum, and he shall be allowed sufficient house room in said building free of rent, and board for himself and his family, but no other fees or perquisites shall be allowed him. The salary of the Clerk of the Board of Overseers of the House of Correction shall be at the rate of Eight Hundred dollars per annum. Sect. 34. The salary of each of the Assessors shall be at the rate of Fifteen hundred dollars per annum, including the allowance provided for by the Revised Statutes of the Commonwealth, and there shall be allowed this department the further sum of Thirty two hundred dollars, to be paid for Clerk hire. The Assistant Assessors shall be al-

330. award Three dollars for each and every day which they shall
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ary of the Six Clerk Assistors shall be at the rate of Four dol-
lars for each and every day which they shall severally certify
that they have devoted to the service on Said duty. Sect. 35
The salaries of the Justices and Clerks in the Superior Court
shall be paid at the rates fixed by the Legislature, viz: To the
Chief Justice, Thirty two Hundred dollars. To Three Associate
Justices, Three Thousand dollars each. D. To the Clerk, Three thous-
and dollars. To the Assistant Clerk, Fifteen hundred dollars.
Sect. 36. The salaries of each of the Justices in the Police Court
shall be at the rate of Twenty two Hundred dollars per annum.
Sect. 37 The salary of the Clerks in the Police Court shall be as
follows: For the Chief Clerk, at the rate of eighteen Hundred dol-
lars per annum. For the first Assistant Clerk, at the rate of
Fifteen hundred dollars per annum. For the second Assistant
at the rate of Fifteen Hundred dollars per annum. For the
third Assistant at the rate of Nine hundred dollars per an-
num. Ordered, That whenever any person in the employ of
the City or County shall demand payment for his salary, or any
part thereof, it shall be the duty of the Auditor and City Treas-
urer to deduct therefrom any and all sums due from such
Officer to the City. Passed in Common Council. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred with the following amend-
ments, viz: In Sec 4. at A. insert "office expenses". Sec 5. Strike out
"twenty two" and insert nineteen. Sec 7. Strike out "eighteen Hund-
red" and insert twenty four Hundred B. also strike out "eleven
hundred" and insert one thousand. Sec 9. Strike out "seventeen"
and insert fifteen. Sec 12. Strike out the clause relating to a

"Horse and Chaise, as contained between 5 & 6. Sec. 4. Strike out "one thousand." and insert "nine hundred." Sec. 24. Strike out "thirteen" and insert twelve. Sec. 26. Strike out "twelve hundred" and insert one thousand. Sec. 35. Strike out at D. "To the Clerk three thousand dollars"_ and add at the end of said section "To the Assistant Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court, fifteen hundred dollars." Sent down for concurrence. June 26th "The Common Council concurred in the amendment to Sec. 4. and to the first portion of Sec. 35_ and nonconcurred in the other amendments. The sections which were agreed upon by the City Council to this last date were approved by the Mayor_ See pay roll in the Auditors Office_ See also page 354.

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Indices of Deeds. Gilchrist.

The Joint Special Committee on the Indices of Deeds for the County of Suffolk, to whom was referred a proposition from D. S. Gilchrist Esq. for furnishing an Index of Grantors, arranged by Surnames, from the year 1780. to 1855. inclusive, Report: That they regard the proposition favorably, but have come to no determination upon the whole subject. In view however of the recent Act of the Legislature, and also as a useful experiment by which to test the general value of the work, they recommend that the Board of Aldermen take such early action, as they may deem expedient, to conform to the requirements of the Act aforesaid. Your Committee are satisfied from abundant evidence and examination of the subject, that the work in question cannot be done by a mere copyist, but requires peculiar skill and extraordinary accuracy. They also believe, from the high recommendations of Mr. Gilchrist and his plan, that he is a proper person to be employed for the purpose, and that his

332. terms of five dollars per hundred names, for furnishing, at his own
June 26. 1856. cost, to the County the necessary volumes of Indices and for the preparation thereof, are fair and reasonable. And your Committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, as the power in the premises is vested by statute in the Board of Aldermen. For the Committee, Robert Codman, Chairman. Read and accepted, sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Gilchrist. Ordered: That D. S. Gilchrist,
Indices. Esq, be employed by and under the supervision of the Committee on County Accounts to prepare and furnish for the public use in the Registry of Deeds in the County of Suffolk the copies of the Indices in said Registry for the year 1855, required by the second section of an Act of the General Court entitled "An Act concerning the indexing of Deeds" passed June 6. 1856; at the price of five dollars per hundred names of the grantor index and the grantee index, to be paid to said Gilchrist upon the certificate of the Chairman of the Committee on County Accounts that the work has been satisfactorily finished prior to January 1. 1857. and in compliance with the said Act; and said payment shall be in full for all expenses for paper and binding, as well as the preparation of the volumes of said Indices. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Thirtieth day of June, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Thirty six Traverse Jurors were drawn for the Municipal Court. Jurors

Petition of Abram Simonds and one hundred others for a new draw for the North Free Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Bridges. Simonds

Petition of Wm H. Clark for a license as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Clark

Petition of Hammatt Billings for leave to occupy a portion of the Public Garden for a month or more from August 1st 1856. Referred to the Committee on the Common and Licenses. Billings

Petition of John Sears and of Uriah W. Sears severally for leave to exhibit some animals at the Public Garden until July 10th. Referred to the Committee on Common and Licenses. Sears

Petition of J. Myers for leave to exhibit a Circus Company at the Public Garden and at East and South Boston for four days from July 7. Referred to the Committee on the Common and Licenses Myers

Petition of Wid. Pearce & others that the Lane in Washington Street between Nos 635 and 659 may be kept wet. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Pearce

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Riddle

Petition of Edward Riddle to have to place carriages in the street opposite his premises in Haymarket Square on Saturdays while they are offered for sale by auction. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Hammond

Petition of Hammond and Sawyer and others that Lucas Street between Hanover and North Street, may be repaired: of Jeremiah Brown that a portion of Ninth Street may be graded. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Vinal.

Petition of Albert Vinal that the dock at the foot of Poplar Street may be filled up. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Jackson.

Fourth of July noise &c.

Petition of James Jackson and ninety nine others, physicians of Boston, praying that rigid measures be taken by the authorities of the City for the enforcement of the Ordinance prohibiting the discharge of Firearms fire-works &c. on the night of July third &c. Referred to the Mayor.

Lyons France.

A communication from Charles J. Godfrich, United States Consul at Lyons, France, asking the City of Boston to render aid and assistance to the inhabitants of the former City who were sufferers by the recent inundations there. Read and laid on the table.

Bowdoin Square, and Church.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Bowdoin Square should be widened by taking land of the Proprietors of Bowdoin Square Church it is therefore hereby Ordered

That due notice be given to the said Proprietors of said Church that this Board intend to widen the Square before mentioned, by taking a part of said land and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the seventh day of May next, at four o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

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On the petition of George S. Thom and others - Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M, take into consideration the expediency of extending the Common Sewer in Athens Street, towards N. Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Thom
Athens Street.

On petition of N. W. Suler & others - Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M, take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Waltham Street between Washington Street and Harrison Avenue, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Suler
Waltham Street.

On petition of Tisdale Drake - Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M, take into consideration the ex-

Drake
Tisdale Street.

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rediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Federal Street between Beach and East Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be Heard.

Young. White Street.

On petition of George E. Young and others Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in White Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be Heard.

Spinney.

Petition of Samuel R. Spinney and others that a display of fireworks be exhibited at South Boston July fourth. Referred to the Committee of arrangements for July fourth. Sent down for concurrence. July 2d. Came up concurred.

Library Trustee.

A communication from William W. Greenough, Esq. wherein he accepts the office of Trustee of the Public Library, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Read and placed on file.

Curtis

Petition of Hiram Curtis for abatement of taxes assessed upon him from 1851 to 1854. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department in concurrence.

Petition of Bartholomew Whelan to be paid for damage done to his boat last winter by negligence of certain agents of the City. Referred to the Committee on Claims in concurrence

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Fire Com.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of Sewers it appeared that Simon B. Smith was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. July 2. Came up concurred.

Sewers Supt

Ordered: That the City Solicitor be directed to take possession of all such estates as have been sold by the City and upon which instalments became due prior to the first day of May 1856. and now remain unpaid provided said instalments and interest be not paid on or before the fifteenth day of July next, previous notice to be given to all said delinquents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 2. 1856.

Public Lands Possession of

Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to cause to be printed and distributed for the information of the inhabitants of the City, as required by the fifty first section of the City Charter, twelve thousand five hundred copies of the forty fourth Annual Report of the Receipts and Expenditures of the City and County, being for the financial year 1855-56;- and that there be appended thereto copies of the Treasurer's Accounts for the same year. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 2. 1856.

Auditor's report.

The Committee on the Affairs Department to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Richard-

Richardson

332. on that the payment of the taxes assessed upon him may be
June 30. 1856. postponed to await the result of a suit brought by him against
the city, report, that the subject more appropriately belongs to the
Treasury Department they therefore recommend that said peti-
tion be referred to the Joint Standing Committee on that subject.
For the Committee, Olmyn Brewster, Chairman. Read and ac-
cepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 2d came up concurred.

House of Correction Trustees.

The Common Council having elected Otis Tufts as a member of the Board of Trustees of the House of Correction in place of Farnham Hummer chosen by this Branch, said action came up for concurrence: whereupon the ballots having been taken and counted it appeared that Farnham Hummer was again chosen by this Branch. Sent down for concurrence July 2d came up concurred.

Dixwell.

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred the petition of J. J. Dixwell and others ask-
ing leave to enter the drain in Pemberton Place, reported that said petition should be referred to the Commissioners on the erection of a building for the Public Library, to whom belongs the drain in question. Read, accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. July 2. came up concurred.

Insurance Water-

The Joint Special Committee on the subject of the order which passed February 19th 1856. in relation to Insurance and Cochituate Water having duly con-
sidered the same report that action upon the subject at the present time is inexpedient. For the Committee, Farnham Hum-

mer. Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. 1834.

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Apthorp. The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of R. & Apthorp, for leave to construct a Bay Window overlooking the Public Library Yard, having considered the subject, submit the following report: that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, G. W. Torrey, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 2. Came up concurred.

Salaries Com[mittee] of conference. The Common Council having appointed Messrs Buckley, Farnsworth and Richardson a Committee to confer with such Committee as may be appointed by the Board of Aldermen on the subject matters of difference between the two branches in relation to the Salary bill, a notice thereof came up to this Board. Read and thereupon Aldermen Plummer and Calhow were appointed a Committee of conference on the part of this Board.

Mackenzie The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Charles Mackenzie to be paid for personal injuries sustained by him on account of the ice in Tremont Street, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City liable for accidents resulting from such causes, and they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 2d Came up concurred.

Safford. The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of A. G.

Subject to be paid for work done on the Cooper Street Armory,
June 30 1836 respectfully report, that from their understanding of the facts, the petitioner had no authority from the City to do any such work at the City's expense, and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 2d Came up concurred.

City Solicitor. The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Solicitor, whose term of service shall commence at the expiration of the period when the present incumbent was elected, it appeard that John P. Healy was chosen in concurrence.

Newhall North Free Bridge The Committee on Bridges to whom were referred the petitions of Cheever Newhall and Thomas Simonds and others, relative to a change of width and level of the draw of the South Boston North Free Bridge, having considered the subject would submit the following Report: The Committee would state that the bridge referred to in the petition is but forty feet width and that at the draw it is reduced to twenty feet in width - that the draw is improperly constructed, and by not running in the direction of the Channel, much delay is caused to vessels going through it; also, on account of the narrowness of said draw, vessels have been prevented from passing it; for these reasons your Committee are convinced, that a temporary alteration of this bridge is inexpedient as the necessities of travel demand that its width should be increased at the present time. In order to furnish the Board information with regard to the amount of travel on this avenue, the Committee have copied the Police Reports of the year 1835 dated

October 23. that being one of the days when the Agricultural Fair was on Exhibition / they would state that the situation of the exhibition was such that the travel over this bridge did not compare so favorably as it would if taken at other times / the reports are as follows Over Tremont Road. Vehicles 1511. Foot passengers on all 3023

Harrison Avenue	943.	"	14490
Washington Street R. Line	2030	"	11086
Mill Dam	760	"	420
Dover St. Bridge	1477	"	10355
Fan Road	1919	"	6803

In consideration of the great amount of travel at present over this thoroughfare and its probable increase, your Committee are of the opinion that this bridge should be widened nine feet the piers / now nearly worn out / re-adjusted and a sliding draw similar to the one on Warren Bridge, and constructed more in conformity with the channel should be built, which alterations according to the estimates of the City Engineer can be made for the sum of fifteen thousand dollars. If the appropriation for bridges is not sufficient for this purpose, the Committee would respectfully recommend that suitable provision be made for the execution of these alterations. For the Committee, Otis Jackson. Read and accepted and thereupon said report was referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. July 2 came up concurred.

The order of the Common Council which came before this Board June 23. respecting the increase of accommodations for the Superior Court of the County of Suffolk was read a second time and passed in concurrence and Aldermen Torrey and Penney were joined. Transmitted to

Superior Court.

the Mayor for approval July 5. 1856. (the Common Council Records)

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Com: Council.

Overseers of the Poor Financies.

The Joint Special Committee to whom were referred the orders concerning the tenure of office of members of the Common Council, the powers of the Board of Overseers of the Poor, and the administration of the prudential and financial affairs of the City, have considered the several subjects referred to them and would ask for further time to report thereon. For the Committee, Abram Bonney, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. July 2d came up concurred.

Essex Street.

The resolve and order for the widening of Essex Street by taking land of Cornelius Mc Carty which were offered to the Board June 23. were read a second time and were passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 2d 1856.

Births, Deaths & Marriages.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the copying of Vols 1. and 3. of the records of Births, Deaths and Marriages, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 2d 1856.

Huskins

The order submitted to the Board June 23. to pay Nathan Huskins thirty nine hundred and fifty five dollars for land taken from him to widen Beverly Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 1st 1856.

Gilchrist.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board to employ L. S. Gilchrist, Esq to copy certain portions of the Indices of Deeds in the Suffolk Registry was

read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 2nd 1856. 345

June 30. 1856. Summer Street.

The resolve and order submitted June 23d to widen a portion of Summer Street by taking land of Trustees of Margaret Griffin, deceased, were read a second time and passed.

Miller's Heirs Webster Avenue.

Ordered: That for the reason set forth in the petition of Manassah Knight for an abatement of assessment for the construction of a sewer in Webster Avenue the sum of three dollars and sixty cents be and the same is hereby abated. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 2. 1856

County Court House keeper.

The committee on County Accounts, deeming it for the interest of the County, that one individual should have charge and be responsible for the proper keeping of the various rooms in the Court House of the County of Suffolk, respectfully recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Joseph M. Wightman, Chairman. Ordered: That on and after the first of July 1856. the Keeper of the County Court House have the sole charge of all the apartments in said building except the rooms and cells in the basement story. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 2. 1856.

House of Correction. workings

On motion of Alderman Torrey the papers in relation to the construction of new and additional Workshops for the House of Correction at South Boston, were taken from the table, and the question being upon the amendment offered by Alderman Torrey at the meeting of the Board June 23, the said amendment was withdrawn by the mover—

June 30. 1856. the question then occurring upon the passage of the original order (as recorded page 226) and an amendment offered by Alderman Tingley that said workings be built at Deer Island having been lost, and original order was adopted. Transmitted to the Mayor for approval July 5. Approved by Mayor July 14. 1856, with his explanations of said approval (as on file)

Myers. Leave was granted to J. Myers to exhibit a Circus Company at South Boston on July 7th and in the Public Garden for three days ending on July 12th for the sum of Three hundred dollars.

Sears. Leave was granted to John Sears to exhibit some Animals in the Public Garden until the 10th day of July next upon payment of fifty dollars for his license.

Police. On nomination by the Mayor Jackson Riggs was appointed a Special Police Officer of this City.

Metropolitan Rail Road. The Committee on Paving, on the petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for authority to construct a single track in Washington Street from Dover Street to Boylston Street and through Boylston Street would respectfully report that they have further considered the subject and have given it the due deliberation which its importance demands, and are unanimously of the opinion that in order to relieve our main thoroughfare of the immense and constantly increasing number of coaches passing over it, and at the same time provide a more easy, rapid and less cumberson means of conveyance for travelling from one section of the City to the other, the great

objects which the public desire, the track should be located as far down Washington Street as Winter Street, and thence up Winter Street to Tremont Street. Your Committee have ascertained by survey made by the City Engineer that a single track can be laid in Washington Street from Dover to Winter Street in the centre of the street without detriment to the abutters thereon, as at the narrowest point there will be ten feet on either side between the outer rail and the edgestone. This will afford ample room for any kind of vehicle between the car and the edgestone. They therefore recommend that an order of notice be issued to the abutters on that portion of Washington Street from Boylston to Winter Street, and Winter Street, that this Board of Aldermen intend to locate a single track of the Metropolitan Railroad in said streets. The Committee are fully impressed with the belief that if a single track is to be located on Washington Street below Dover Street, it should terminate at Winter Street, thence up Winter Street to Tremont Street. If this location is granted the Committee see no reason why one of the tracks already granted to the Company in Tremont Street, from Winter Street to Boylston Street, can not be dispensed with. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on Washington Street, between Boylston and Winter Streets, and to the abutters on Winter Street, that this Board intend to grant leave to the Metropolitan Railroad Company to lay down a single track for their road in said portion of Washington Street and in Winter Street; and that Thursday, the seventeenth day of July next, at three o'clock, P.M. be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Read laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

June 30. 1856. Cambridge Railroad.

The Committee on Paving, to which was recommitted the petition of the Cambridge Railroad Company for authority to construct double tracks in Cambridge Street from Chambers Street to Bowdoin Square, would report the accompanying Order for the consideration of the Board of Aldermen. For the Committee, Otis Rich Chairman. Ordered: That the location of the Cambridge Railroad in Cambridge Street above Chambers Street shall be changed as follows:- From Chambers Street with a double track to the easterly corner of the edgestone at Lynde Street, thence with a switch to terminate at a point not distant more than fifty feet from the easterly corner of said Lynde Street, thence with a single track to Bowdoin Square, with suitable turnouts. The switch to terminate two feet from the westerly corner of the edgestone at Ridgway Lane. The double tracks to be laid in the centre of the Street with the outer rail of each track not less than nine feet from the edgestone from Chambers Street to Hancock Street, and eight feet six inches from Hancock Street to the termination of the switch. The single track to be located in the centre of the street to a point near Coolidge Avenue, so called, and thence to Bowdoin Square, if so ordered by the Superintendent of Streets, under whose direction and to whose satisfaction the whole work shall be done. Provided, That the said Cambridge Railroad Company shall relinquish in writing to this Board of Aldermen, the right granted by this Board of Aldermen, December 4, 1854, to locate a single track through Chambers Street to Green Street, and through Green Street to Bowdoin Square. Read, laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Essex Street by taking land of Amory B. Fay, said subject was referred to the Committee on Streets with full power. June 30. 1836. Essex Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were licensed as Dealers in Second Hand Articles &c. for one year from July 1st on the usual conditions, viz: Simpson H. Lewis, John Johnson, Timothy Donovan, John Rogers, Peter F. Gill, James Scott, John Stewart, Joseph Hanson, Simon L. Young, Maurice Levi, John Fitzhaw, Warren A. Nickerson, Michael Morrissey, Coffin Hills, Patrick Scheily, Henry Schultz, Edmund Brown, Michael Curry, Cornelius Mc Cuddy, Daniel Murphy, Michael King, Mc. John O'Hara, Redmond & Curry, John Mullen, Joseph C. Cutting, James Collins, John King, James Rafferty, Hiram Knight, Isaac R. Worthen, George M. Rogers, Charles Mc Garry, Bernard Nugent, John Lucey, Peter Allen, Charles Gallagher, Alexander Mc Connor, Mc. Daniel Mc Tavitt, James H. L. Hatch, George C. Miller, Thomas Clarkey, Thomas Jones, Samuel F. Lancey, Jr. Patrick Quilty, Owen Brannan, Lordy & Mc Laughlin, John Mc Laughlin, Robert Mc Farland, Thomas Wright, Lewis Levi, Simon Rose. Second hand dealers &c.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses the following persons were appointed Auctioneers for one year from July 1st on the usual conditions, viz: Kimball & Robinson, Edward D. Clark & Son, John Tyler, Samuel Hatch, Nevell A. Thompson, Townsend, Mallard & Loring, Edward F. Hall, J. K. Foster Mc George C. Richborn, Josiah A. Bradhead Mc. Leonard Mc Charles Smith, Brice & Evans, Cornelius Keliher, Daniel H. Kersey, A. M. Chandler Mc Pardon A. Worsley, Draper, Morse Mc Auctioneers

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Noise on Fourth of July.

A communication was received from the Mayor wherein he expressed the necessity and propriety of suppressing the usual turmoil and noise which precedes the rising of the sun on the Fourth of July, and suggesting that an extra force be employed for that purpose, read and thereupon it was ordered that the Mayor be authorized to appoint a number of Police Officers for the abovenamed purpose not exceeding five hundred men.

Haverhill Street.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the communication of the Chief of Police respecting obstructions in Haverhill Street by the Boston & Maine Railroad Company, reported that there is sufficient authority already given in the Ordinances to remedy the evil complained of by the Chief of Police and they therefore report that no action is necessary on the part of this Board. Read & accepted.

Mears Groton Street.

On petition of Granville Mears and others that the grade of Groton Street be raised, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary. Read and accepted.

Eaton Beach Street.

On petition of T. S. Eaton and others that Beach Street may be renumbered, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient at the present time. Read and accepted.

Rice.

On petition of Dan Rice for leave to exhibit a Circus Company on the Public Garden for one week in July next, the Committee on Licenses and the Common reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Truck and Wagon Licenses from 1. to 351. and from 3541. to 1793. were granted by the Board for one year from July 1st 1856. | 349. June 30. 1856. Trucks &c.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, Hack licenses from 1. to 133. inclusive except No 103. 104. 105. 111. 149. 161. 163. 183. 205. 208. 209. 210. 219. 248. 255. 275. 307. 310. 313. 323. 338. 368. were granted for one year from July 1st 1856. | Hacks.

Peletiah Harmon was appointed by the Board a Weigher of Coal pursuant to the existing Ordinance. | Coal Weigher

An invitation from the Board of Visiters of the Boston Lunatic Hospital requesting this Board to visit that Institution on Tuesday July 1st was read and accepted. | Lunatic Hospital

On petition of George Revere to be paid for damages occasioned by an alteration of his drain in South Cedar Street, the Committee on Sewers reported a reference of said petition to the Committee on Paving. Read and accepted, and referred accordingly. | Revere.

On motion of Alderman Rich the report and estimates on the subject of the Albany Street Bridge as contained in City Document No 16. were taken from the table and were recommitted to the Committee on Paving. | Albany Street Bridge.

The Chairman of the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings, agreeably to the instructions of said Committee, submitted to the Board for their approv- | Bridge estate.

350 in a case of the Ridge Estate, so called, for three years from
June 30. 1856 September 1st 1856 at the rate of sixteen hundred dollars yearly.
Alderman Lindsley moved that the case be recommitted with instructions to insert the sum of eighteen hundred dollars for sixteen hundred dollars at which stage of the proceedings the subject was laid upon the table.

Fire Department. The nominations of Officers for Hydrant 6e No. 3. and for the Steam Fire Engine 6e were confirmed by the Board.

Reports to be purchased. Ordered: That the City Clerk be directed to procure the nineteenth volume of Pickering's Reports the thirteenth volume of Metcalf's reports the eighth volume of Gustings Reports and the recent work by L. S. Cushing on Parliamentary Law, for the use of the City Council and that the same be charged to Incidental Expenses. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Third day of July, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Callow, Wightman and Codman.

Petition of James Munroe and Co. and others for the abatement of a nuisance in Washington Street caused by the burning of coffee and other materials near Harvard Place. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. | Munroe

Petition of Harvey Scudder & Co. and others that Clinton Street be re-numbered, or a portion of it re-named. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Scudder

Petition of Charles R. & John B. Alley to be paid for land taken to extend Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Alley Friend Street.

The Master of the House of Correction submitted his quarterly report on the civil character and condition of the inmates of that Institution July 1st Read and placed on file. | House of Correction.

Remonstrance of Thomas Bartlett and others against the construction of a Sewer in Winter Street. Read and placed on file. | Bartlett Winter Street.

On nomination by the Mayor, Jerome Nevers, Franklin W. Stone, and four Hundred and fourteen others (as recorded in the Book of Nominations kept by the City Clerk), were appointed Police Officers of this City under the order of June 30th last. | Police for July 3d

July 3. 1856. Howard.

The Committee on Streets, to whom was referred the petition of Eleazer Howards heirs to be paid for land taken to widen Fort and Fleet Streets in 1833. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Boston & Lowell Railroad location.

A revised location of the Boston and Lowell Railroad in Suffolk County under the Act of 1856. which was filed with the Board of Aldermen July 1st is as follows;- viz:- The Southwesterly line begins at the corner of Andover and Causeway Streets and from thence runs in a straight line and in a line with the Northeasterly side of Andover Street in a course North and twenty five degrees and thirty six minutes West, ten hundred twenty nine and 9/10 feet to a point seventy eight feet Southwesterly from the centre line of the Eastern Rail Road Bridge and taking for the whole of this distance the width of sixty feet Northeasterly from said line. From this point said line continues straight two hundred and fifty two feet to a point fifty one feet from the centre line of said Bridge, and in that space said location decreases in width from sixty to thirty three feet. Said line then changes to a direction North and thirty one degrees and forty minutes West and runs straight, parallel with the centre line of said Eastern Rail Road Bridge and fifty one feet therefrom until it reaches the boundary between Suffolk and Middlesex Counties, and for this whole distance taking thirty three feet measuring Northeasterly from the said Southwesterly line of this location. Wm Parker, Pres. Boston & Lowell Railroad Corporation. J. Thos. Stevenson, Treas. Boston & Lowell Railroad Corp. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

The report of Robert Keith Inspector of Ballast up to June 30. 1856 was read and ordered. July 3. 1856.

Ballast

Whereas Charles M. Kimball has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the said, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land owned by the late John Redman, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Charles M. Kimball, and also to James Shearer, Thomas A. Goddard, and George N. Kuhn, Trustees of said Redman, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the Fourteenth day of July instant at four o'Clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Kimball Washington Street. Redman's heirs

Whereas William Ropes has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Hanover Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said William Ropes that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday the fourteenth day of July instant, at four o'Clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Ropes. Hanover Street.

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Tremont Street.

Whereas by a Resolve passed the twenty second of March last the City Council took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Tremont Street and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to John N. Dix and all other persons interested as owners, proprietors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away, all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Tremont street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid on or before the Seventeenth day of July instant. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Tremont street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets.

Salaries

The Committee of this Board who were appointed to confer with a Committee of the Common Council on the subject of difference between the two branches in relation to the Salary Bill, Report: That they have met said Committee of the Common Council, and after a discussion on the points of difference between the two Boards, they unanimously recommend that the salaries of the following Offices be establish-

cil as follows viz: Sec. 5. To the Auditor of Accounts for Clerk hire Nineteen hundred dollars. Sec. 7. To the Chief of Police Twenty two hundred dollars. To the Clerk of Police One thousand dollars. Sec. 9. To the Supt of Streets Seventeen hundred dollars. Sec 12. To the Salary of the Supt. of Health add the following, viz: And the Committee on Internal Health shall have the power to furnish him with a horse and chaise at the expense of the City and have the same kept at the City Stables for which they shall approve the Bills. Sec. 21. To the Guard Officers One thousand dollars. Sec. 24. To the Water Registrar Twelve hundred dollars. Sec. 26. To the Supt. of Fire Alarms Eleven hundred dollars. Sec 35. Add "To the Assistant Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court Fifteen hundred dollars. Farnham Plummer. Wm H. Callow Com^e of Conference." Read and accepted and the Common Council having accordingly concurred with this Board in its proposed amendments of Section 5 the latter portion of Section 7 Sec. 24. & Sec. 35. and also having amended Sec. 7. by striking out "five" and inserting "two", at B. Sec. 9. by striking out "fifteen" and inserting Seventeen Sec. 12. by adding at B 6 the usual allowance for a Horse and Chaise Sec. 21. by striking out "nine Hundred" and inserting "one thousand" Sec 26 by striking out "one thousand" and inserting "Eleven hundred" Said action came up for concurrence: and said amendments being in accordance with the report of the Committee of Conference, this Board concurred therein and the Salary Bill was finally adopted. Approved by the Mayor July 3. 1856.

Ordered: That the Salary Bill for 1856-57. as finally revised and established by the City Council be reprinted. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 3. 1856. Salary Bill reprinted.

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Plummer Addison Street.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of Hiram Plummer and others for the opening of a new Street at East Boston, called Addison Street reported that on consideration of the subject they find it is a matter for the investigation of the Committee on Paving and Repairs of Streets, and they recommend its reference to that Committee. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Fay. Essex Street.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Essex Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Emery B. Fay bounded as follows, viz: Southwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of Essex Street, there measuring fifty one feet and 9/100; Southeastwardly by Lincoln Street, one foot; Northeastwardly by the present line of Essex Street, fifty two feet; and Northwestwardly by land of John Hennessey, two feet and 13/100; containing eighty one square feet and 7/10, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade dated July 3d 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Essex Street as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred and seventy seven 29/100 dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates

of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once. July 3. 1856.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Lincoln Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Comey B. Fay bounded as follows, viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of widening of Lincoln Street, there measuring two hundred and eight feet and 23/100; Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Essex Street, 97/100 of a foot; and Southeastwardly by the present line of Lincoln Street, two hundred and eight feet and 83/100; containing sixty nine square feet, and 61/100, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade dated July 3d 1856. and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Lincoln Street, as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred fifty one and 67/100 dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once. Fay Lincoln Street.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall, at three o'clock P.M. by order of the Mayor, on Monday the Seventh day of July, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Thayer — Petition of John E. Thayer that a sewer be laid in Lime Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Foster — Petition of David W. Foster and others that a lamp be placed and lighted in Nassau Street opposite May Place. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Mitchell — Petition of Theodore Mitchell and others for leave to erect a Bowling Alley in rear of 674 Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Roberts — Petition of John L. Roberts for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Bedford Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Whittier Friend Street. — Communication of Whittier & Fayen and others stating that the City will be held liable for the continued obstruction of Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Smith. — Petition of Hiram Smith & others that the name of Lyman Place be changed to Lyman Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of William Adams &c. and others that Lewis Street be widened between Fulton & Scott Streets. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | July 7. 1856. Adams

Petition of Whitwell & Collamore to be paid for land taken to widen Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Whitwell & Collamore.

Petition of A. B. Loane to be paid for injuries occasioned by the bursting of a Cochituate Water Pipe in front of her premises. Referred to the Committee on Water. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. Came up concurred. | Loane.

Ordered: That the salary of the late Physician to the County Jail be continued and paid up to the 30th of July. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 8. 1856 | County Physician.

Ordered: That the City Clerk be required to furnish to the Presiding Officer of each Branch of the City Council at every regular meeting of such Branch a written statement showing what, if any, reports of Committees are due under the 10th Joint Rule and that such Committees be called upon to report at that period of the business when such reports are in order. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1856. | Reports under 10th rule.

An order from the School Committee proposing to surrender to the City the Primary School House in Franklin Street, whenever three suitable rooms shall be pro- | Primary Sch: Ho: Franklin Street

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vided by the City Council in the Bowdoin School District for the accommodation of the Primary Schools now in said School House was referred to the Committee on Public Instruction in concurrence.

Franklin School House

A request from the School Committee that a new Franklin School House be built on the corner of Waltham and Ringgold Streets was referred to the Committee on Public Instruction in concurrence.

Duncan.

Petition of William Duncan for abatement of certain taxes assessed upon him from 1838. to 1854. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department in concurrence.

Ferry Passes for East Boston Scholars

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Instruction consider and report upon the expediency of the City's paying the Ferry Pass for all Scholars of Ward Two who attend Public Schools in the City Proper. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1856.

Harbor Excursion.

Ordered; That Messrs Dunnels, Tyler, McGilvray, Roberts and Whiton with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee to make arrangements for the annual visit of the City Council to the Islands in the Harbor and that the expense thereof be charged to Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred and Aldermen Dingley, Jackson and Calnow were joined. Approved by the Mayor July 10. 1856.

Loan

Ordered: That the Treasurer be

Friend Street.

and he is hereby authorized to borrow under the direction of the

Committee on Finance a sum not exceeding One hundred and 361.
forty thousand dollars, and that the same be appropriated to de- July 7. 1856.
fraying the expense of attending Friend Head. Passed in Com-
mon Council. Yeas 32. Nays none. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred. Yeas Aldermen Penney, Brewster, Ballou,
Cheever, Godman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Rich, Tenney and Hart-
man. 11. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1856

Ordered: That the thanks of Orato
the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to Edward Grif-
fin Parker, Esq. for the truly patriotic Oration delivered by him be-
fore the Municipal Authorities of Boston on the occasion of the cele-
bration of the Eightieth Anniversary of the Declaration of Ameri-
can Independence;-and that a copy thereof be requested for publica-
tion. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 10.
Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 12. 1856.

Resolved: That the thanks of Escort.
the City Council are due, and they are hereby tendered to Col.
Robert J. Burbank commanding the First Regiment, First Brig-
ade, First Division of the Massachusetts Volunteer Militia, and
to the Officers and Men composing the Escort to the City Proces-
sion on the Fourth of July instant, for the very prompt, effi-
cient and satisfactory manner in which their duties were per-
formed under circumstances, which contributed materially to the
discomfort and exposure of the officers and men. Read twice &
passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. Came up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor July 12. 1856

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Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council be and they are hereby tendered to Otis Kimball Esq. Chief Marshal and to his Aids and Assistants, for the valuable and efficient services which were rendered to the City Government in the formation and management of the Civic Procession on the Fourth of July instant. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 12. 1856.

Chaplain. Reader.

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council are hereby tendered to the Revd Samuel K. Lothrop, D. D. Chaplain, and to Sigourney W. Fay, Esq. Reader of the Declaration of Independence, for the able and appropriate performance of their respective duties before the City Government on the recent Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 12. 1856.

Choir.

Resolved: That the thanks of the City Council are hereby tendered to Charles Butler, Esq. and to the children of the Public Schools under his direction for the highly creditable and delightful manner in which they executed their portion of the services on the occasion of the celebration of the recent Anniversary of the Declaration of American Independence. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. July 12. 1856.

Ballast Inspectors

The reports of Abijah R. Tuckerman, Henry Curtis and John Davis, Inspectors of Ballast, relating their acts & doings for the quarter ending June 30 were read and laid down.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Broad Street, from India to Purchase Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice & passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1856. | July 7 1856. Broad Street.

The reports of the Superintendents of Streets and of Health for the quarter ending June 30th 1856 were read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. | Streets. Health.

Ordered: That, to prevent accidents, and for the greater convenience of citizens visiting the Common to witness the display of Fireworks this evening, the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to exclude, at Six o'clock, P.M., this day, all carriages, vehicles, refreshment stands &c. from the following streets in this City. viz:- Tremont Street at School and Beacon Streets. Bromfield at Washington. Winter at Washington. West at Washington. Avery at Washington. Boylston at Washington. Tremont at Eliot. Eliot at Common. Pleasant at Providence. Church at Railroad Station. Western Avenue at River Street. Charles Street at Chestnut. Spruce Street at Chestnut. Walnut Street at Chestnut. Ivy Street at Mt: Vernon. Temple at Mt: Vernon. Bowdoin Street at Beacon Hill. Beacon Street at Somerset Street - until the Fireworks are discharged and the people have left the Common. | Streets to be closed.

On petition of John H. Pearson and others for a stricter enforcement of the law against smoking | Pearson Smoking

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view in the Head, the Committee on the Fire Department reported that the subject of the complaint is exclusively within the province of the Police and that said subject be referred to the Mayor. Read and accepted.

Police

The Chief of Police submitted to the Board his report for the quarter ending June 30. 1856. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Howard Engine Co.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Fire Department leave was granted to Howard Engine Company No. 7. to change their name to Tiger Engine Company No. 7.

Metropolitan Railroad.

On motion of Alderman Rich the order of notice on the subject of the extension of the Metropolitan Railroad back through Washington to Winter Street and thence through Winter Street was taken from the table, and having been amended by striking out "Thursday" the 17th and inserting "Thursday July 24th." said order was again laid on the table.

Tellyplace.

Petition of William Tellyplace that he may have a hearing on the subject of an order directing him to remove a porch and steps from Maverick Square, read and thereupon it was ordered that such hearing be had on Monday next at four and a half o'clock P.M.

Jones. Engine No. 13.

On petition of Isaac N. Jones and others for leave to take charge of Engine No. 13. the Committee on the Fire Department reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and the further consideration of the subject was postponed to Monday next.

Agreeably to notice Joseph A. Pond Esq. Clerk of the Bowdoin Square Baptist Society appeared and stated that it was desirable that a meeting of the Standing Committee of said Church be held before action is taken by the Board on the subject of the proposed widening of Bowdoin Square. Whereupon it was voted that the further consideration of the subject be postponed to Monday July 28. 1856. at four o'Clock, P.M. | 365. July 7. 1856. Bowdoin Square Bap. Church.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in White Street said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power. | White Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of the Athens Street sewer towards N. Street, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power. | Athens Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Waltham Street between Washington Street and Harrison Avenue, said subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full power. | Waltham Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Federal Street between Beach and East Streets, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power. | Federal Street.

The resolve and order submitted to this Board July 3d to widen Essex Street by taking land of Amos D. Fay were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1856. | Essex Street.

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Lincoln
Road.

The resolve and order submitted to this Board July 3d to widen Lincoln Street by taking land of Amory B. Fay, were read a second time and were passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 10. 1856

Reports to purchase.

The order of June 30th last directing the City Clerk to purchase the nineteenth volume of Pickering's Reports, the thirteenth volume of Metcalf's Reports, the eighth volume of Cushing's Reports and the recent work of L. S. Cushing on Parliamentary Law, was read a second time and was passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 10. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 12. 1856.

East Boston and Chelsea Bridge
Vide City Doc. No 47

The Committee to whom was entrusted the supervision of the erection of the Bridge between East Boston and Chelsea, ask leave to present a partial report of their proceedings in the premises. Your Committee have visited the structure at different times since their appointment, and have found the work progressing satisfactorily, and with as great rapidity as is consistent with a thorough and faithful performance of the contract entered into between Mr. E. G. Brown and the East Boston Free Bridge Company, for the erection of the said Bridge, and your Committee see no reason why it may not be completed to the satisfaction of the City of Boston, as early as the first day of September next. Your Committee also ask leave to present, in this connection, a communication prepared at their request and presented to them by James Slade, Esq. the City engineer, giving a history of this undertaking from the beginning, and his views in relation to the necessity for the erection at the present time, of the piers and guards which will be required for the protection

of the Bridge, after it shall have been completed, and to vote that 367
they unanimously concur in the opinion expressed by the city en- July 7. 1836.
gineer, that due consideration for the true interests of the city, ab-
=solutely requires the erection of the said piers and guards at
the present time when it can be done at much less expense than
at any period hereafter, and with much greater certainty in
regard to the durability both of the piers and the main structure
itself. They therefore recommend the passage of the following
order. Ebenr Jackson, Timothy C. Kendall, Edward F. Porter, Thacher
Beal, Joel Richards. Ordered: That the Committee appointed to su-
=perintend the erection of the Free Bridge between East Boston and
Chelsea, be, and they are hereby authorized to contract with such
parties as they may deem expedient, for the erection of the piers
and guards necessary to protect and preserve the said Bridge,
provided the cost of the same, with the incidental expenses, shall
not exceed the sum of seventeen thousand dollars, and also pro-
=vided that the said piers and guards shall be built in accord-
=ance with a plan made by James Slade, Esqr the City Engineer,
and to the satisfaction of the said City Engineer and the Com-
=mittee having the matter in charge. Passed in Common Coun-
=cil. Yeas 33. Nays 4. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid
on the table.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be Loan
authorized under the direction of the Committee on Finance East Boston
to borrow a sum not exceeding seventeen thousand dollars the & Chelsea
same to be applied to defraying the expense of building the piers Free Bridge.
and guards necessary for the protection of the new Free Bridge be-
tween East Boston and Chelsea, authorized by the Legislature Act
of 11th April 1836. Passed in Common Council. Yeas 34. Nays none.

came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

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Taylor.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to W. G. Taylor to give a Sparring Exhibition this evening at Tecothic Hall.

Back Bay Lands.

The Committee on "Back Bay Lands" having been notified by the Committee of the Commonwealth who are charged with the duty of filling and improving the flats inside of the Mill Dam - that said Committee are about taking measures to fill up said flats to the level of said Dam and desire to arrange with this City the matters of lines and drainage; to make such arrangements it is requisite that additional powers should be conferred upon some Committee - We therefore recommend that a Committee be clothed with full powers to adjust these matters with the Commonwealth under advisement and subject to the approval of the Mayor. Farnham Rummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.

July 17. Came up concurred.

Back Bay Lands order.

Ordered: That the Joint Special Committee on Back Bay Lands be and they are hereby fully empowered to settle and negotiate during the present Municipal Year, with the Committee appointed by the Legislature of this Commonwealth who are charged with the duty of filling and improving the flats inside of the Mill Dam and to settle and adjust all questions and matters between the City and the State - subject nevertheless to the approval of the Mayor. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fourteenth day of July, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of R. F. Fuller & others that a lamp be placed and lighted in Thompson Court. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. — Fuller

Petition of Charles F. Stearns & others that the sidewalks in Sun Court Street may be reduced in width and be relaid. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Stearns

Petition of William Knox and others, trustees, to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Dalham Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Knox

Petition of Seth Adams to be paid for land taken (as he alleges) to extend First Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Adams

Petition of Charles K. Hamilton and others to be paid for damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Hamilton

Remonstrance of George C. Prud'huck and others, Moses Grant and others, against the proposed change of location of the single track of the Cambridge Railroad in Cambridge Street. Read and placed on file. — Prud'huck; Grant; Cambridge R.R.

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Petition of the Judge and Registrar of the Court of Insolvency for Suffolk County, that a room be provided for said Court pursuant to Law. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Insolvency Court.

Howe

Petition of S. G. Howe for the grade of Sixth Street near K. Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Lane

Petition of Jo Lane for leave to occupy a portion of the Common to exhibit a Musical Fountain. Referred to the Committee on the Common.

Shaw

Faneuil Hall

Petition of George A. Shaw and others for use of Faneuil Hall on 18th for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Grant.

Petition of Moses Grant for a common Sewer in Charles Street, between May and Pinckney Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Higgins

Petition of Oscar F. Higgins to be paid for damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Tuckerman's heirs.

Communication of William Sohier for Edward Tuckerman's heirs respecting the taking of their land for a public Street and suggesting that the question of damages be submitted to arbitration. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Winsor

Petition of Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. and others that certain bonds for land on Tremont Street may be cancelled. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. July 17. Came up concurred.

Petition of William B. Dodge and others that Water Pipes be laid in Sullivan Street, South Boston. Referred to the Cochituate Water Board. Sent down for concurrence. July 17 came up concurred. | July 17, 1851 Dodge.

Communication from the Mayor recommending the purchase of a lot of land adjoining the Public Library lot, for the purpose of obtaining a right to light and air, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. | Library Lot.

The reports of the City and Port Physicians for the quarter ending June 30th were severally read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. | Physicians Port & City

Petition of James B. Macomber that further time be granted him for building on land in Northampton Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands in concurrence. | Macomber.

Communication of John H. Thorndike and Nathaniel J. Bradlee transmitting a plan for a new City Hall was referred with plan to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence. | Thorndike Bradlee. City Hall.

The Common Council having referred the reports of the Inspectors of Ballast, which were sent down to that Branch, to the Joint Special Committee on that subject, said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. | Ballast.

An order of the Common Council that the Committee on Public Buildings have further time to report on an enlargement of the Old City Hall or the erection | City Hall

of a new one, was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856

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Funeral Cars.

An order of the Common Council that the committee on Ordinances have further time to make their report on the subject of Funeral Cars was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Boston Gas Light Co.

An order of the Common Council that the Joint Special Committee on purchasing the franchise of the Boston Gas Light Company have further time to make their report was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Franklin Street School House estate

An order of the Common Council that the Committee on Public Buildings have further time to make their report on the sale of the Franklin Street School House estate, and providing a new one, was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Police Stations 5. 7.

An order of the Common Council that the Committee on Public Buildings be instructed to inquire and report as to the expediency of erecting new buildings in a proper location to be occupied as Police Stations No. 5. and 7. was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Grammar School House Springfield St.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings beg leave to report that the sum of seven thousand dollars is wanted for the completion of the School House in Springfield Street for occupancy and recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee Geo. W. Snow. Chairman. Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Pub-

lic Buildings be, and they are hereby authorized to expend the fur- 373.
ther sum of eleven thousand dollars for the completion of the July 14. 1856.
Grammar School House in Springfield Street, for heating appara-
tus and furniture for the same, as already contracted for the
same to be charged to the appropriation for Grammar School Houses.
Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read
and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856

Alderman Plummer presented to the Board a friendly Address signed by thirty one thous- Manchester Peace Address
and six hundred and forty one inhabitants of Manchester,
England, for the preservation of sentiments of friendship and
peace between the two countries of America and England, and
and thereupon Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is
hereby requested to respond in behalf of the City of Boston, in an
appropriate and friendly manner to the Memorial of the citi-
zens of Manchester, England, on the subject of Peace between
the two Countries. Read twice and passed. Sent down for con-
currence. July 17 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July
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The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred the petition of Luther Drew
Drew for a release of certain conditions of sale on lots of land
on Providence Street, have duly considered the same, and would
recommend the passage of the accompanying orders for the Com-
mittee. Fran.d J. Parker. Ordered: That the conditions contained in
certain agreements given by the City to Luther Drew to convey
four lots of land on Providence Street, be so far changed as not
to forbid the erection of Stables on said lots for the private use

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only of the occupants of the Houses erected on the abutting lots fronting upon Boylston Street, the exterior walls of all buildings to be of brick, stone or iron. Ordered: That whenever buildings are erected upon said lots fronting upon Providence Street, they shall be three stories in height, the exterior walls to be of brick, stone or iron, to be set back fifteen feet from the line of said Street, and shall not be used or occupied for any other purpose or in any other way, than as dwelling Houses, apothecary shops, dry goods, grocery, or provision stores. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Library Lot.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be authorized and instructed to purchase a strip of land adjoining the Public Library Lot, agreeably to the recommendation of His Honor the Mayor, provided the same can be purchased on terms as favorable as the adjacent lands were purchased by the City; the same to be added to the Library Lot, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for a Reserved Fund. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 19. 1856.

East Boston & Chelsea Bridge Piers &c

On motion of Alderman Jackson the report and order for the construction of Piers and Guards to the new Bridge between East Boston and Chelsea, (as recorded page 3661) were taken from the table and the question being on the passage of said order, and the Yeas and Nays being required on the same they were taken as follows - Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Ballou, Eddman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall,

Plummer, Rich, Torrey, Wightman 11 Nay - Alderman Cheever 1.
1. Two thirds of the Board voting in the affirmative the order was passed in concurrence. Approved by the Mayor, July 16. 1856

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On motion of Alderman Jackson the order of the Common Council authorizing the Treasurer to borrow seventeen thousand dollars for the purpose of building the Piers and Guards referred to in the foregoing order, was taken from the table and was passed in concurrence by the following vote, Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Bearse, Gallow, Tingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich, Torrey and Wightman - ten. Nay - Alderman Cheever - 1. Absent Alderman Codman. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Loan and Boston & Chelsea Bridge &c. &c.

The order submitted to the Board on the seventh instant clothing the Joint Special Committee on Back Bay Lands with full power to settle and negotiate during the present Municipal Year with the Committee appointed by the Legislature for the improvement of the Back Bay Lands, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. July 17. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor July 19. 1856.

Back Bay Lands Committee.

An ordinance entitled "An Ordinance in addition to an ordinance in relation to the Fire Department passed Dec. 26. 1855, whereby it is proposed to amend Sec. 6. of said ordinance by striking out the words "month of August" and inserting "months of July, August or September" - Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence July 17. Came up concurred.

Fire Dept Ordinance

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Fire Dept: Grand Gen[l] Muster

Ordered: That Messrs French, Warner and Dalton with such as the Board of Aldermen may join be a Committee with full power to make the necessary arrangements at an expense not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars in behalf of the City for the general muster of the Fire Department, and that all moneys appropriated by said Committee be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Damrell Fire Dept:

Petition of John S. Damrell and other firemen of Engine Companies &c that the time for the general Muster of the Engine, Hydrant and Hook and Ladder Companies be changed, and that money be appropriated for prizes &c: Referred in Common Council to the Joint Committee of Arrangements for said Muster. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Billings

On petition of Hammatt Billings for leave to occupy a portion of the Public Garden for a month from August 1. 1856. the Committee on the Common and Gardens reported that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted.

Winsor

On petition of Nathaniel Winsor, Jr and others that Tremont Street, between Dover Street and Chester Square, may be paved or macadamized, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners this year. Read and accepted.

On petition of Uriah W. Sears | 377.
for leave to exhibit animals at the Public Garden on Thursdays, | July 11, 1856.
the Committee on Licenses and Common reported leave to with- | Sears.
draw. Read and accepted.

On petition of John L. Roberts | Roberts.
for leave to construct coal holes under the sidewalk in Bedford
Street the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

On petition of John Collamore, Jr. and others that Federal Street be repaired from Franklin to High Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners at this time. Read and accepted. | Collamore.

On petition of Edward Riddle | Riddle.
for leave to place carriages in front of his premises on Faymarket Square on Saturdays for the purpose of selling them at auction, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw at the request of the petitioner. Read and accepted.

On petition of Edward C. | Cabot.
Cabot for the grade of Allen and Bassom Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

On petition of Whittier and | Whittier
Poyen, and others, claiming to hold the City Cradle for the longer | Friend Street
obstruction of Friend Street with a pile of bricks, the Committee on Paving reported that the obstructions complained of are now being removed under the direction of the Chief of Police. Read and accepted.

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Godard

On petition of Eugene Godard for permission to make one or more Balloon ascensions from the Grounds owned by the United States Agricultural Society, the Committee on Licenses reported in favor of the same, upon the petitioner's paying one Hundred dollars and the expense of a sufficient Police Force. Read and accepted.

Buckley's Serenaders

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Buckley's Serenaders to give Musical Entertainments at the Howard Athenæum

Pelham.

and to Josiah Pelham to give Concerts at the Melodeon.

Scudder

Winter Street.

On petition of Harvey Scudder &c and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have Winter Street renumbered, commencing number one at the corner of Merchants Row. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 18. 1856.

Winthrop School house Steps.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to close Bell Street from Washington Street to Warren Street and Tremont Street from Sun Ransaleer Place to Hollis Street on Tuesday the twenty second instant during the hours of exhibition of the Winthrop School. Read twice & passed.

Swan Street.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No 11 Swan Street caused by vault filth, stagnant water, and want of proper drains on said premises, belonging to Isaac Samuels which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by having said vaults forthwith cleaned

and repaired, and suitable drains laid or old ones repaired at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. | 3rd. July 14. 1856.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to set edgestone and pave the gutters in Lexington Street from Parks to Fulmam Street provided the abutters thereon agree to pay for the edgestone in front of their respective lots at the rate of forty two cents per foot. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 16. 1856. | Lexington Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Hanover Street by taking land of William Hopes and wife, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | Hanover Street Hopes.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of John Redman's trustees said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | Washington Street Redman

The report of the Superintendent of the House of Industry for the quarter ending July 1st 1856 showing the character of the inmates of that Institution was read and placed on file. | House of Industry.

The reports of the officers charged with the duty of looking after Truant Children and Absentees from School were read and placed on file. | Truant Officers

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the petition of William Tellyplace | Tellyplace Mar: Square

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that the order for the removal of the porch and steps before it never was rescinded and after hearing Benjamin Pond Esq. who appeared in behalf of the petitioner, and who admitted that the projection was beyond the line of Maverick Square but requested that it might remain during the life of the owner, the Board proceeded to the consideration of other subjects.

North Free Bridge draw- New hall- Simonds.

The Committee on Bridges since the expiration of their report of the thirtieth of June last (which was accepted by the Board) in favor of the change of level and width of the draw of the North Free Bridge, have consulted with the Directors of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company, and are thus enabled to communicate to the Board more particularly and specifically what is required to be done in the premises. According to the estimate of the City Engineer the Bridge can be widened on the east and west sides, and a new sliding draw can be constructed for the sum of sixteen thousand dollars, of which sum, the committee unanimously think the Directors of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company should contribute six thousand dollars. The Committee therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Edwin Jackson, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Bridges be and they are hereby authorized and directed to cause the direction of the draw of the North Free Bridge to be altered so as to conform more to the present current beneath it - to construct new sliding legs therefor similar to those in use on Warren Bridge - to cause the said North Free Bridge to be widened nine feet, and to be constructed the piers in accordance with a plan of said work drawn by James Slade, City Engineer, and dated

February 16. 1856. the whole expense of said alterations not to exceed the sum of sixteen thousand dollars. provided however the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company shall first pay to the City Treasurer the sum of six thousand dollars towards said alterations. or give security to the satisfaction of the Committee on Bridges that said sum of six thousand dollars shall be paid upon the completion of the said work as above. Read and the further consideration thereof was postponed to Monday next. | 381. July 14. 1856.

On motion of Alderman Rich the report of the Committee on Paving on the subject of the Metropolitan Railroad and the order of notice thereto appended were taken from the table_ and on motion of Alderman Brewster were recommitted to the Committee on Paving. | Metropolitan Railroad.

On motion of Alderman Wightman the lease of the Bridge Estate on Gould Street to S. D. Bates for three years from September 1st next, was taken from the table_ and the Chair having ruled that the motion to recommit with instructions was out of order_ the question recurred on the approval of said lease for the annual sum of sixteen hundred dollars, and the Yeas and Nays being called for on said question they were taken as follows:_ Yeas_ Aldermen Bonney, Plummer and Wightman 3. Nays Aldermen Brewster, Carlow, Cheever, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Rich and Torrey 9. So said lease was not approved. | Bridge Estate lease rejected.

The Board having taken up the subject of the petition of Isaac Jones and others for leave | Jones Engine No. 13.

382. to take charge of Engine No. 13. and the question being on
Nov 11. 1856 the acceptance of the report giving said petitioners leave to withdraw, the whole subject was laid on the table.

Cambridge Railroad location

On motion of Alderman Rich the Board took from the table the subject of the extension of the double track of the Cambridge Railroad from Chambers Street to Lowell Square and the question being on the passage of the order (as recorded page 316) - Alderman Bonney moved to amend the same by striking out all after the word "Ordered" at 1. and inserting "That the petitioners have leave to withdraw" and the Yeas and Nays being called for on this motion they were taken, as follows, Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Cheever, Dingley, Kendall, Plummer, Wightman 7. Nays - Aldermen Chilcraw, Codman, Jackson, Rich and Torrey, 5. So said amendment was adopted and the petitioners had leave to withdraw.

Vinal Poplar Street

The Committee on Paving, on the petition of Albert Vinal that the Dock at the foot of Poplar Street may be filled up, reported in favor of said measure, and as the Sewer will have to be extended, they recommend a reference of the papers to the Committee on Sewers. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

Poplar Street dock.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Wharfs be authorized to fill up the dock which forms a part of Poplar Street as originally laid out, a distance of ninety feet from the present termination of the solid part of said Poplar Street - provided - Albert Vinal the abutter on the northerly side of said dock furnish the City of Boston, free of cost the gran

ite blocks which now form a wall on the line of the part of said dock which is to be filled up. The said granite blocks to be used by the City of Boston to make secure the flood at the termination of the filling up contemplated by this order. The work under this order to be prosecuted as soon as the Common Sewer shall have been extended. Read once.

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Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets in paving Belling Street from Everett Street to Wall Street, be directed to remove all projections over the line of said Street. Read once.

Belling Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave the gutters and lay brick sidewalks on Allen and Blossom Streets, around the Massachusetts General Hospital grounds, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Allen & Blossom Streets.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Everett Street from Causeway to Brighton Streets, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Everett Street.

June 14. 1856. Emmons Ohio Place.

On petition of John L. Emmons Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Ohio Place, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Smith Lyman Street.

On petition of Hiram Smith and others Ordered: That Lyman Place so called running from Worrell Street to Green Street be hereafter known and called Lyman Street. Read once.

Richards Marion Street.

On petition of Francis Richards and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave the gutters in Marion Street from Pleasant to Church Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, PM.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty first day of July, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Goodman.

Petition of W. E. Blanchard and others for a Sewer in Hamburg Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Blanchard.

Petition of Horatio K. Stores and others that a nuisance caused by certain chemical works in Springfield Street may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. — Stores

Petition of M. M. Ballou for leave to erect and run a Steam Engine at 22 Winter Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c. — Ballou.

Petition of James Fennelly to be paid for damages occasioned by the change of grade on A. Street; of Stephen Noyes to be paid for damages sustained from the change of grade on Bennington Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Fennelly. Noyes.

Petition of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company for certain turnouts on their track in Broad Street and Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Dorchester Avenue Rail Road.

Petition of the Charles Street Baptist Church that Mount Vernon Street, west of Charles Street, may be accepted as a public way;—of the Hancock Free Bridge — Chas. Street Bapt. &c. Hancock Bridge.

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corporation that Terrill Street may be extended as a public highway to the Canal Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Stearns Faneuil Hall.

Petition of George T. Stearns and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, July 24. wherein to hold a Convention of a political party. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Salmon Faneuil Hall.

Petition of J. Salmon and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, August 14th next, wherein to hold a meeting of the friends of Fillmore and Donelson. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Tuckerman

Petition of L. P. Tuckerman and others, and of Edward Tuckerman's Heirs to be paid for damage done to their several estates by the widening of Washington Street, near Dock Square. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Brown Pound.

Petition of William H. Brown and others that the Pound at East Boston may be removed to some other locality in that Section of the City. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Fire Dept. rooms

Petition of the Foremen of the several Engine Companies that suitable rooms may be furnished to them wherein to hold meetings of the Companies &c. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Special Police

A communication from the Mayor respecting the mode of appointing Special Police Officers, an office not recognized by law or Ordinance, and suggesting that the City Council take measures to have all such Officers under the control

of the City Authorities. Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred. Aug. 21 1856.

A request from the School Committee that certain alterations be made in the Wells School House was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence. Wells School House.

A notice from the Common Council that Ezra Farnsworth had been appointed on the Special Committee on Back Bay Lands, in place of S. L. Washburn absent from the country, was read and placed on file. Back Bay Lands.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings take into consideration the propriety of selling the "Bridge Estate" at the junction of Court and Tremont Streets, and adjoining Scollay's Building. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856. Bridge Estate.

Ordered: That the bill of Porter, Mayhew & Co against the Steamer Henry Morrison be audited, and paid by the Treasurer, when approved by the Committee on Accounts and on the Institutions at South Boston &c. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856. Porter.

Ordered: That the following bills be paid after they have been duly approved and audited in the usual manner viz: Pond & Dunklee vs House of Industry &c. $17.25

D. F. McGilvray & Co vs: Same 10.68

Cragin, Page & Co vs: Same 7.08 Bills to pay.

388.	Joseph West 2d	vs	Same	84.84
July 21. 1856.	Same	vs	Lunatic Hospital	122.35
	Same	vs	Grammar Schools	48.94
	Same	vs	Steamer N. Morrison	16.17
	Same	vs	Common &c	13.51
	Same	vs	County Suffolk	4.00

Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, July 23, 1856.

Partridge

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of John C. Partridge, to be paid for personal injuries sustained by his wife in Winter Street, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City of Boston to be liable in the premises; and they recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred.

Pierce

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Gilbert C. Pierce, to be paid for drawing plans and for services rendered to the Court Schoolhouse, respectfully report, that they do not consider that he has any just claim against the City, and they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred.

Berry

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of M. C. Berry, to be paid for damages sustained from a defect in Leamden Street respectfully report, that the petitioner's counsel was called upon,

and noticed that the committee wished the petitioner to call upon them, and state the facts of the case. As he has never done so, and they have since heard nothing from him, they recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug 21. Came up concurred. July 21. 1856.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Daniel Rhodes, for the settlement of his claim against the City, respectfully report, that they do not consider that the petitioner has any just claim against the City. They therefore recommend that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred. Rhodes

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the report of the Committee on Bridges referred to them on the second instant, would respectfully report, that, in the present state of the question, this Committee deem it inexpedient for them to take any action on the subject. For the Committee, Pitham Penney, Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 21. Came up concurred North Free Bridge.

On nomination by the Mayor, Charles B. Rice was appointed Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market. Market Supt of.

The order submitted July 14th for changing the name of Zyman Rice to Zyman Reed, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. July 23. 1856. Zyman Reed.

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Poplar Street.

The order submitted July 14th for the filling up of the dock at the foot of Poplar Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856.

Allen Street

Blossom Street.

The order submitted July 14th for the Superintendent of Streets to lay the sidewalks around the Massachusetts General Hospital on Blossom and Allen Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856.

Everett Street.

The order submitted July fourteenth for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Everett Street from Causeway to Brighton Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856.

Ohio Place.

The order submitted July fourteenth for the Superintendent of Streets to repair Ohio Place was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856.

Marion Street.

The order submitted July fourteenth for the Superintendent of Streets to repair the gutters in Marion Street, from Pleasant to Church Streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1856

Colling Street.

The order submitted July fourteenth for the Superintendent of Streets to remove all obstructions projecting over the line of Colling Street was read a second time and passed.

North Free Bridge to widen &c.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed widening of the Bridge and the alteration of the draw of the North Free Bridge and the

order submitted July fourteenth was accepted, as recorded page 300, by the following vote. Yeas - Aldermen Feeney, Beesley, Carlson, Chicarer, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich, Torrey, Wardman 11. Nays, none. Approved by the Mayor, July 23. 1836.

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Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises in East Orange Street caused by dirt, filth, defective vaults and drains on said premises, belonging to C. B. Darling, Timothy Eaton, P. C. Conners, Amasa Dexter, Benj. Beal, Sam[e] N. Way, and Tileston and Hollingsworth, which is dangerous to the Health of the inhabitants, it is Hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth, and repairing old vaults and drains or constructing new ones at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

East Orange Street

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on vacant lot on Washington between Newton and Suffolk Streets, caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to P. W. Chandler, Wm Brigham, B. R. Curtis and F. M. Jones, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said lot, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Washington Street

Whereas this Board, by a Resolve passed the tenth day of June last, took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Federal Plain Bay Street and laid out the same as a public Street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered,

Federal Street

3q2. That due notice be given to Andrew Harrington, N. A. Doggett and
July 21. 1856. N. B. Doggett, and all other persons interested as owners, proprie-
tors, tenants, occupants, or otherwise, in said land that they cut
off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections
and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the
line of said Federal Street, as established by the Resolve afore-
said, or, move and set back the same to the said line, and
vacate and surrender the land and premises taken as aforesaid
on or before the first day of August now next ensuing. And in de-
fault thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered
forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erec-
tions and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line
of said Federal Street, as established by the Resolve aforesaid;
to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be
moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be va-
cated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on
laying out and widening Streets.

Tyler Street. Ordered: That the Chief of Police
close up Tyler Street from Oak Street to Harvard Street, against
the passage of carriages during the continuance of the school exhibi-
tion in the Quincy School House on the twenty second instant. Read
twice and passed.

Fan: Hall Ordered: That the Chief of Police
Streets around close up the Streets around Faneuil Hall against the passage
of carriages on Tuesday July 22d between the hours of four and
five and a half o'clock P.M., on account of the exercises of the
School Festival in said Hall. Read twice and passed.

Agreeably to the report of the committee on the Common leave was granted to R. Davis to occupy a portion of the Common whereon to exhibit his Musical Fountain for such length of time and upon such terms as shall be satisfactory to said Committee

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Davis.

Sherlock Spooner was licensed to keep an Intelligence Office at 106 Blackstone Street.

Intelligence Office

Agreeably to the report of the committee on Licenses leave was granted to Dan: Rice to exhibit his Circus Company in the Public Garden for one week from August 1st on payment to Chief of Police of the sum of four hundred dollars in addition to the pay for Police Officers.

Dan Rice. Circus

The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred the petition of Boyd Howard concerning the Village Sluice drain, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Howard.

On the petition of the Massachusetts Medical College that Fruit Street be accepted, the Committee on Paving reported, that Fruit Street was accepted June 9. 1834 and is consequently a public highway, and that therefore no further action is necessary on the subject. Read and accepted.

Mass: Med: college. Fruit Street.

Leave was granted to Joseph Cooney (a minor) to sell papers in this City.

Minor

William Mc Laughlin was licensed as a dealer in Second Hand Articles at 275 Causeway Street.

Second Hand articles.

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Firemen's Muster.

Alderman Rich called up from the table the order of the Common Council providing for an appropriation for the Muster of Firemen in August next, but without any further action thereon, the subject was re-laid on the table.

Fayette Street.

The Committee on Paving to whom was recommitted the petition of James Hendley and others in relation to the grade of Fayette Street would respectfully report in favor of raising the grade of Fayette Street in accordance with a plan made by James Slade, Esq. City Engineer, dated May 19th 1856, and upon the conditions of the agreement made by the abutters on the part of the said Street which is to be raised. This agreement is herewith annexed. Accompanying this report is an order for the accomplishment of the work. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Fayette Street according to a plan made by James Slade, Esq. City Engineer, dated May 19th 1856, and cause to be raised and carried up the walls of the houses and foundations of the outbuildings on that portion of Fayette Street which is to be raised, so that they shall conform to said plan, the owners of the same having agreed to finish the interior of their houses and outbuildings at their own expense, and to release the City of Boston from all damages and additional cost in consequence of the raising of said grade. The expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Piper

Ordered: That there be paid to Solomon Piper the sum of one hundred dollars for land taken to widen (late Sea now) Federal Street, thirtieth June 1855. upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and

discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Roads. Read once.

Grant. Ordered: That there be paid to Moses Grant the sum of Thirty thousand dollars for land taken to extend Friend Street, on the twenty eighth day of July 1835. upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once

Parker Ordered, That there be paid to Jonathan Parker the sum of sixteen thousand dollars for land taken to extend Friend Street on the twenty eighth day of July 1835. upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Roberts. Ordered: That there be paid to Timothy Roberts the sum of twenty five dollars for damages occasioned by the extension of Friend Street on the twenty eighth day of July 1835. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty eighth day of July, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman, and all the Aldermen.

Chamberlain — Petition of N. B. Chamberlain for leave to erect and run a Steam Engine at 230. Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines.

Pickering — Petition of Arthur Pickering that the Board would forbid the erection of a Steam Planing Mill on the South Cove. Referred to the Committee on Steam Engines &c.

Young Men's Christ. Ass. — Petition of the Young Men's Christian Association for leave to erect a tent upon the Common wherein to hold religious services on Sabbath afternoons. and a petition of James. H. Beebe and others in aid of the same were referred to the Committee on the Common.

James — Petition of Benjamin James that a Sewer be laid in G Street from Fifth to Silver Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Tarbell — Petition of Edmund Tarbell and others that a Gas Lamp be placed and lighted on Dorchester Street near Third Street. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Mass. Medical College Fruit Street. — Petition of the Massachusetts Medical College that Fruit Street and North Grove Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power. Approved by the Mayor, July 29. 1856

Petition of Thomas C. Bacon & Co and others — of Hatfield, Pinckham & Co and others, that a new Street may be ordered by the City. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

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Bacon, Hatfield

Petition of Matthew Binney, that a Highway be laid out through Salem Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Binney
Salem Street.

Petition of Seth Johnson's Heirs to be paid for land taken to widen Union Street in 1828. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Johnson

Petition of W. R. Clark and others that the northwest side of Broad Street near Belmont Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Clark
Broad Street

Petition of J. W. Eames to be paid for damages sustained by an alleged defect in Meridian Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred.

Eames.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the request of the School Committee that certain alterations and repairs be made in the Phillips School House, having considered the subject, report in favor of the same and recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Geo. W. Pearce, Chairman. Ordered: That the alterations and repairs on the Phillips School House as suggested in a communication of the School Committee dated May 6th 1836 be made under the direction of the Committee on Public Buildings at an expense not exceeding twenty five hundred dollars, to be charged to the appropriation for Grammar School Houses. Read twice

Phillips School House

and passed. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Aug. 23. 1856.

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Washington Village School House.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the request of the School Committee that certain alterations and repairs be made in the Grammar School House in Washington Village having considered that subject report in favor of the same, and they therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Geo. W. Tenney, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to make such alterations and repairs on the Grammar School House in Washington Village as are suggested by the School Committee in their communication dated

the expense of the same not to exceed fifteen hundred dollars and to be charged to the appropriation for Grammar School Houses. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Firemen's Parade committee.

On motion of Alderman Wightman the Board took from the table the order of the Common Council providing for the appointment of a Joint Special Committee to make arrangements for the Firemen's Muster in August next (see page 376) and this Board having concurred in the passage of said order, Aldermen Cheever, Brewster and Tingley were joined on said Special Committee. Approved by the Mayor, July 29. 1856.

Bowdoin Square

Specially to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed widening of Bowdoin Square by taking land of the Cordwainers Association Society, and after Mr. Wilbur had stated to the Board the objections made by said Society to the proposed improvement the subject was recommitted

to the Committee on Streets with full power.

On petition of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company for leave to lay down turnout tracks on the line of their road as located in Broad Street and Dorchester Avenue, the Committee on Paving reported the following order Ordered: That due notice be given to the abuttors on Broad Street and on Dorchester Avenue that this Board intend to grant the prayer of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company, and that Thursday the fourteenth day of August next at eleven o'clock A.M. be assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Accepted and the order passed. Dorchester Avenue Rail Road

The Committee on Paving to which was recommitted the subject of the extension of the location of the track of the Metropolitan Railroad through Washington Street, would respectfully report the accompanying order, with the statement, that the location therein contained meets all that the Railroad Company at the present time require. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Ordered: That in addition to the right already granted to the Metropolitan Railroad Company to lay down tracks in several of the streets of the City of Boston, said Company shall have the right to lay down a single track through Washington Street from Dover Street to Boylston Street thence through Boylston Street to Tremont Street. The said single track to be laid down in the centre of the roadways of said Washington and Boylston Streets, and the distance between the edgestone and the rail on each side shall not be less than nine feet except at the curve at Tremont Street. The right to lay down this additional track is under the proviso that said Metropolitan Railroad Company agree to comply Metropolitan Rail Road

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with the express conditions contained in the order of location passed by the Board of Aldermen August 6th 1855. in relation to keeping in repair and good order the portion of the streets lying between the rails, and that portion of the street lying outside of the rails and adjacent thereto extending one foot and a half from and outside of each rail; also that the whole work of laying down the tracks granted by this order, and those granted by the order of August 6th 1855, be done under the direction and to the satisfaction of the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets. The form of rail to be used to be satisfactory to the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Streets and to be approved by them. Read twice and passed by the following vote — Yeas Aldermen Calico, Cordman, Jackson, Kendall, Rich, Tenney, and Wightman 7. Nays — Aldermen Benney, Brewster, Cheever, Dingley and Plummer 5. Transmitted to the Mayor for approval, July 29th Approved by the Mayor August 7. 1856.

Market Dep. Supt.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market be authorized to employ one deputy to assist him in the execution of the duties of his office. Read twice and passed.

Mass: Gen Hospital N. St Charles Street.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of the Massachusetts General Hospital to be paid for land taken by a Resolve passed July 31st 1855. to extend North Charles Street, would respectfully state that the value of the land so taken has not been fully determined, and that further time is necessary for an investigation of said petition. The Committee report the following order. For the Committee John T. Tenney Chairman. Ordered: That the city Treasurer be ordered to extend the time within which the Massachusetts General Hospital may apply for a jury to estimate the damages and value of the land taken to extend

North Charles Street, for one year from July 31st 1856. and will waive the right to plead that the paper petition was not presented within one year from the passage of the Ordinance, or the taking of said land; provided, always, that this Ordinance shall not preclude the City from pleading the Statute of Limitations to any petition filed after the thirty first day of July 1857. Read twice and passed. 1401. Nov. 28. 1856

Whereas J. G. Hovey has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Washington Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land of S. H. Hunneman and Brother, it is therefore hereby Ordered. That due notice be given to the said J. G. Hovey and S. H. Hunneman and Brother that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the fourth day of August next at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Hovey Hunneman Washington Street.

Whereas J. D. Towle has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Green Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land of Benjamin T. Roscoll, it is therefore hereby Ordered. That due notice be given to the said J. D. Towle and Benjamin T. Roscoll, that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday, the Towle. Roscoll Green Street.

102. fourth day of August next, at one o'clock, P.M., is assigned as the
July 28. 1856. time for hearing any objection which may be made thereto.

Grant. The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Asses Grant thirty thousand dollars
on account of the extension of Friend Street was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 29. 1856.

Roberts. The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Timothy Roberts twenty five dollars
on account of the extension of Friend Street was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, July 29. 1856.

Piper The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Solomon Piper one hundred dollars
on account of the widening of Federal Street was read a sec-
ond time and passed. Approved July 29. 1856.

Parker. The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Jonathan Parker eleven thousand
dollars, having been awarded to Parker by the Jury appointed to assess
damages that said sum is in full for all damages occasioned to said
Parker and to any and all of his tenants by the extension of Friend
Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor, July 29. 1856.

Fayette Street. The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board of the Superintendent of Streets to grade Fayette
Street according to a plan made by James Slade, City Engineer, and
to cause such houses on said street to be raised as will require it,

was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor July 29. 1856. — 703 July 28 1856.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No. 5 Fisher Street caused by drain filth in cellar on said premises, belonging to Thomas G. Emory, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by cleaning said drain of all obstructions, and cleaning cesspool, at the expense of said party, who having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance. — Emory 5 Fisher Street.

A license, as a Minor, was granted to Patrick Haley, to sell Matches &c. — Minor

Agreeably to the report of the committee on Accounts, H. C. Woodward, Wm. Andrew & Peck and Edward Cohen were elected to High Intelligence Offices, and the license to deal in Second Hand Articles heretofore granted to John Ring at 341 Federal Street, was transferred to Patrick Brady. — Intelligence Offices & Second Hand articles.

Charles Ford was appointed a weigher of Coal and Measurer of Wood and Bark for the City, under the direction of the Committee on Fuel. — Coal Weigher for the City

Resolved, That the safety & convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington Street should be widened, and to that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to James Brown, Thomas A. Goddard and George H. Kuhn, Trustees of the late John Redman, bounded as follows, viz: West-wardly by the proposed line of widening of Washington Street, there — Washington Street. Redman's Trustees.

1864. measuring Fifty three feet and 62/100; Northwardly by other land of
Aug 2 1856 the said Trustees, Five feet and 15/100, Eastwardly by the present line
of Washington Street, Fifty three feet and 48/100, and Southwardly by
the centre line of a passageway between land of the said Trustees
and land of Miss Hanna Sprague, Five feet and 17/100, containing
Two hundred and twenty seven square feet and 12/100, more or less.
And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this
Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid,
as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered,
That the parcel of land before described be, and the same
hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said
City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade,
City Engineer, dated Aug 2 1856 and deposited in the office of the said
Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense
of widening the said Washington Street, as aforesaid, will amount
to eleven hundred and eight dollars; which sum together with
the amount of damages & previous alterations or discontinuances
in said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the
sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Williamore Ordered, That there be paid to
John Williamore, Junior, the sum of one hundred and twenty dollars
for land taken to widen Federal Street, upon his giving to the City
a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all
damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims
for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Samuel Whitwell the sum of sixty two dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once. 405. July 28. 1856. S. Whitwell

Ordered: That there be paid to Dalton and Ingersoll the sum of twenty five hundred dollars for the damage sustained by them in consequence of the extension of Friend Street, July 28th 1855. upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once. Dalton & Ingersoll

Ordered: That there be paid to William N. Barnes the sum of twenty five hundred dollars for the damage he sustained from the extension of Friend Street on the 28th July 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once. Barnes

Ordered: That there be paid to S. S. Haskell the sum of fifteen hundred dollars for his damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street on the 28th July 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once. Friend Street. Haskell.

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Garrish.

Ordered: That there be paid to Smith Garrish the sum of one hundred dollars for the damage sustained by him by the extension of Friend Street on the 28th July 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Gould & Co.

Ordered: That there be paid to J. Gould and Company the sum of Seven hundred and fifty dollars for their damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street July 28th 1855. upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Harrington

Ordered: That there be paid to Owen Harrington the sum of fifty dollars for his damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street on the 28th July 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Holmes

Ordered: That there be paid to Holmes and Goodwin the sum of one hundred dollars for their damages sustained from the extension of Friend Street, July 28th 1855. upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

On petition of Timothy Keegan for leave to withdraw petition for Union Park on Lawrence Street the Committee on Streets to which said petition was referred reported leave to withdraw. Said report accepted. Keegan.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Lowell held at City Hall on Monday the fourth day of August Anno Domini 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of William F. Farrell for a Common Sewer in the rear of F. A. Allen and Coal Yard be discharged, same have been referred to Sixth Ward Committee on Sewers.

Petition of [illegible] and others that Union Park may be widened. Same was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Dyer to be paid for land taken to widen Congress Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

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Johnson

Petition of Henry Johnson to be paid for damages obtained by the widening of Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Sweat.

Petition of Francis Sweat and others that a Gas Lamp be placed and lighted on the corner of Shawmut and A. Streets. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Dodge
Kennard
Sullivan
& Shawmut Streets

The Cochituate Water Board, to whom were referred the petitions of William S. Dodge and others that Water Pipes be laid in Sullivan Street, and of Kennard and Gallatin and others that Water Pipes be laid in Shawmut Street, between Union and Porter Streets, recommended that said Streets be graded before the pipes be laid. Read and referred to the Committee on Paving.

Louisburgh Square.

Petition of the Proprietors of Louisburgh Square that a portion of the gutters in said Square may be paved. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Alger

Petition of Cyrus Alger and others that the grade of the Dorchester Avenue may be raised. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Superior Court.

Petition of members of the Suffolk Bar that additional accommodations be provided for the Superior Court. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings on the part of this Board.

Munroe

Petition of F. A. Munroe & Co. for leave to give Theatrical exhibitions at the Howard Athenaeum. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of Albion S. Kent and 1109.
brother to be appointed Auctioneers. referred to the Committee on Aug 4. 1856.
Licenses. Kent.

Petition of John Emerson and Emerson
others that the City would prevent the rebuilding of the Steam Plan- Steam Mill.
ing Mill in Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Steam En-
gines &c.

A communication from the Washington
Chief of Police respecting certain dangerous walls in rear of Stamph- Square
ney Place and Washington Square, was referred to the Committee Dangerous walls.
on the Fire Department.

A protest of Thomas Brewer Brewer
against the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road track in Washing- Met.n Railroad
ton Street, was read and laid upon the table.

Petition of Samuel Fowle that Fowle.
a portion of the purchase money on land sold for taxes be refund-
ed to him. Read and referred to the Committee on the Treasury De-
partment. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred.

The nomination of Calvin G. Fire Dept.
Wilson as Clerk of Engine Company No 6. was confirmed by the Board. Officers

The report of the Superintendent Market
of Faneuil Hall Market showing that he had received and paid Supt. report.
into the Treasury for the quarter ending July 31. the sum of twelve
Thousand one hundred ninety six dollars and forty cents, being rent
for Stalls &c, was read and placed on file.

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Aug. 4. 1856. City Clerk

The report of the City Clerk shewing that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending July 31st the sum of five Hundred fifty four dollars and seventy seven cents was read and sent down. In Common Council. placed on file.

Superviser

The report of the Superviser of the Fortieth Ward shewing that he had received during the quarter ending July 31st six hundred thirty six 50/100 dollars fifty per cent of which he had paid to the Treasurer of the Evening Adult Schools pursuant to the order of April 30. 1856 was read and sent down. In Common Council placed on file

Washington Road Hunneman

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Road by taking the land of J. Hunneman and brother, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Green Road to cut

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Green Road by taking land of J. L. Davis and others said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Roads with full power.

Bourdoin Square Rep. &c.

Resolved That the Aldermen and Commonalty of the City require that Bourdoin Square should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a piece of land belonging to the Bourdoin Square Baptist Society bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of the said Square, there measuring Seventy seven feet and 46/100; Southeastwardly by the present line of the said Square, Thirteen feet and 9/10; Southwestwardly by the same, Seventy seven feet and 33/100, and Northwestwardly by Chandler Street, Fifteen feet

Two; containing Eleven hundred and eighty square feet, more or less. 411.
And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Aug. 4. 1856.
Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as
appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered:
That the parcel of land before described be and the same hereby
is taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City
according to a plan of the said widening made by Jno. Reed,
City Engineer, dated August 4th 1856. and deposited in the office of
the Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the ex
pense of widening the said Bowdoin Square, as aforesaid, will
amount to Four thousand seven hundred and twenty dollars:
which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alter
ations or discontinuances in said Square, during the present mu
nicipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. August 5. 1856.

Ordered: That the City Registrar House of
be and he hereby is authorized to cause all bodies which may Reception
be deposited in the "House of Reception" to be removed from it for the
purpose of burial, at the expiration of twenty four hours from the
time at which the deposit in any case shall have been made.
Ordered: That a copy of this order be furnished to the City Regis
trar, the Sextons of the City and to the Coroners of the County.

Ordered: That the Superinten Princeton
dent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutter in Princeton Street Street.
from Marion to Putnam Streets, in conformity with the Street grade
grade, and to remove all such projections on the line of said Street
as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said

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Head not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. The abutters on said Lincoln Street praying for the edgestone to be furnished by the City of Boston. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 5. 1856.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on vacant land situated on Shawmut Avenue between Waltham Street and Union Park, caused by stagnant water on said premises belonging to C. L. Brigham and Edward Chamberlin, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health is and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by filling and draining said lot at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

The Resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Washington Street by taking land of John Redman's heirs was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Ord.y came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct.r 13. 1856.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands be authorized if they shall deem it expedient, to remove the vacant tombs on the outside of the east wall of the South Burial Ground. Read and referred to the Committee on Common.

Alderman Plummer submitted to the Board an Ordinance regulating the laying of rails in the Streets of the City: read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 21. Came up concurred

Agreeably to the report of the committee on Licenses leave was granted to Hugh Coburn and Hugh Devine to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Varieties upon the evening of August 19th said parties to pay the sum of four dollars and the expense of fire Police Officers.

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Coburn & Devine.

The committee on sewers to whom was referred the petition of John B. Thayer for a sewer in Seime Street reported that the petitioner have leave to construct a sewer in said Street at his own expense: and that the sewer in Oliver Street be extended to Seime Street provided he will pay three fourths of the cost. Read and accepted.

Thayer Seime Street sewer.

On petition of W. R. Clark and others that the northwest side of Broad Street near Bernard Street may be widened, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Clark

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Licenses Daniel Henry was appointed an Auctioneer and Bernard Mc Laughlin was licensed as a Dealer in Second Hand Articles.

Auctioneer. Second hand articles.

On motion of Alderman Ferry the Board reconsidered the vote whereby at the last meeting, they adopted a report and order for certain repairs on the Washington Village School House - whereupon Alderman Ferry offered the following order in lieu thereof, viz: Ordered, That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings be authorized and directed to put such repairs as they deem necessary on the Grammar School House in Washington Village at an expense not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars - the same to be charged to the appropriation

Washington Village School House

411 for Yeamans Street Trust. Read twice and passed. Sent down
Aug. 4. 1856. for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the
Mayor, Aug. 23d 1856.

Harrington. The order submitted July 28th to pay
Owen Harrington fifty dollars on account of the extension of Friend
Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor
August 4. 1856.

Lee. The order submitted July 28th to pay
William Lee ten dollars on account of the extension of Friend Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved
by the Mayor, August 4. 1856.

Collamore The order submitted July 28th to pay
John Collamore, Jr. one hundred and twenty dollars for land taken
to widen Federal Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 4. 1856.

Whitwell The order submitted July 28th to pay
Samuel Whitwell fifty two dollars for land taken to widen Federal
Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the
Mayor, August 4. 1856.

Dalton. The order submitted July 28th to pay
Dalton and Ingersoll twenty five hundred dollars on account
of the extension of Friend Street was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 4. 1856

Gerrish The order submitted July 28th to pay
Smith Gerrish one hundred dollars on account of the extension
of Friend Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by
the Mayor, August 4. 1856

The order submitted July 28th to pay | 415.
A. L. Haskell fifteen hundred dollars on account of the extension of | Aug. 4. 1856.
Friend Steet was read a second time and passed. Approved by the | Haskell
Mayor, August 4. 1856.

The order submitted July 28th to pay | Holmes
Holmes and Goodwin one hundred dollars on account of the exten-
sion of Friend Steet was read a second time and passed. Approv-
ed by the Mayor, August 4. 1856.

The order submitted July 28th to pay | Gould.
J. S. Gould & Co. seven hundred and fifty dollars on account of the exten-
sion of Friend Steet was read a second time and passed. Approved
by the Mayor August 4. 1856.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police | Commercial
be directed to notify the owners of stables abutting on Commercial | Steet.
Steet between Hanover and Charter Streets who have steps project-
ing over the line of said Commercial Steet to remove the same
within six days: if not removed at the expiration of this period then
the said Chief of Police is further directed to remove the said steps
at the expense of said abuttors. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to | Coverly.
Edward Coverly and Son the sum of eight hundred dollars for
their damages sustained from the extension of Friend Steet on
the 28th July 1855, upon their giving to the City an acquittance and
discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said
extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the
extension of Friend Steet. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and | Washington
convenience of the inhabitants of the city require that Washington | Steet.

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Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Samuel Haws bounded as follows, viz: Northwestwardly by the proposed line of Commerce & Washington Street, there measuring twenty feet: Northeastwardly by land of William H. Goodman, one foot and 87/100; Southeastwardly by the present line of Washington Street, twenty feet and 13/100; and Southwestwardly by the same one foot and 34/100; containing thirty two square feet and no more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated August 4th 1836. and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Washington Street, as aforesaid, will amount to eight hundred dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the seventh day of August, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Cheever.

Petition of Richard Davis for leave to keep a Stable for more than four horses at 31 Kingston Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department. — Davis.

Petition of Henry Smith that a Sewer be laid in Washington Street, from Dedham to Dunlap Streets; of George Bartlett and others for a change of drainage in Bowdoin Square. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. — Smith. Bartlett.

Petition of James Laverty for leave to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Pavilion on Aug 18. 1856. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Laverty

Communication of the Standing Committee of the Bowdoin Square Baptist Church respecting payment for their land taken to widen said Square. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Bowdoin Square Church.

Petition of John A. Hughes to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street; of Cornelius Mc Carty to be paid for land taken to widen Essex Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. — Hughes. Mc Carty.

Petition of Mary Rumley to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in Culver Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Rumley

Mr. Tillon

Petition of Thomas B. Tillon and others that Princeton Street may be graded from Putnam to Rescott Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Harbor Police

Petition of the Harbor Police that the city would furnish a Seal for their use in the discharge of their official duties. Read and laid on the table.

Sewer Metropolitan Rail Road

Petition of Gardner Sewer against the said location of the track of the Metropolitan Railroad in Washington Street. Read and laid on the table.

Metropolitan Railroad

Notice was received from the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, that, at a meeting of said company, held August eleventh 1856 the location assigned to said Company by vote of the Mayor and Aldermen August seventh 1856, was duly accepted by said Company. Read and placed on file.

Howard Pine Street

On petition of William H. Howard Ordered that due notice be given that this Board will on Monday next at ten o'clock A.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Pine Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular drains into such common Sewer or who by any more remote means shall cause any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Auditor

The Auditor of Accounts reported to the City Council that he had received for the City during the quarter ending on 31st the sum of Three Hundred and

twenty three and sixteen cts. read and sent down. In Common Council. Aug. 11.
Council. Placed on file. Aug. 11. 1836.

The City Registrar reported that he had received and paid into the City Treasury during the quarter ending July 31st the sum of four hundred twenty six dollars and twenty five cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. City Registrar.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Edward Waverly and Son the sum of eight hundred dollars was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. August 12. 1836. Waverly

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Washington Street by taking land of Samuel Hews, was read a second time, and having been amended by striking out "Samuel Hews" and inserting "J. H. Hunneman & Co" was passed by the Board. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 9. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Oct 13. 1836 Washington Street. Hunneman

The Standing Committee on Cemeteries to whom was referred an order dated Aug 4. 1836. respecting the removal of vacant tombs on the rear of the South Burial Ground. Report, that the same ought to pass with the following amendment — At the end add "Provided that the Committee on Public Lands shall cause a substantial granite wall to be erected in place of said tombs". For the Committee Wm. H. Gardner Chairman Read, accepted and the order passed as amended. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 21. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 23. 1836. South Burial Ground Vide page 412.

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the communication of John Hilton asking leave Ashton Lane Place

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ting the continuance of a fence across Keane Place, which prevents access to his stores_report, that said fence was erected by the City a year or two since in order to form a yard room for the accommodation of the School House in said Place that by the erection of said fence Mr. Fitlon's right of way through said place has been obstructed_ but he is willing that said fence should remain provided the city will agree to remove the same upon receiving thirty days notice to that effect. Accordingly by the advice of the Committee on Public Buildings such agreement has been made with Mr. Fitlon a copy of which is herewith submitted / and your Committee therefore report that no further action in the premises is required. For the committee, &c. W. Foran, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred.

Commercial Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the removal of certain obstructions on Commercial Street was read a second time and passed.

Albany Road Bridge

The Committee on Paving to whom was recommitted the report of the Albany Road Bridge and the petition of Solomon Fox and others respecting the building of said bridge, would respectfully report that they obtained from James Slade Esq. City Engineer, an estimate for a different structure than that first contemplated, one that it is considered will be all that is required for some years to come_ the estimated cost of which is about twenty five thousand dollars under an order which passed the Board of Aldermen last year directing the Committee on Paving to construct said bridge, contracts have been entered into for building the approaches to the bridge. The Committee, as in a former report,

would say that the expenditure for the erection of the bridge over Albany Street was not included in the amount appropriated for Paving &c and they therefore ask for the additional appropriation of twenty five thousand dollars. This sum to be added to the appropriation for Paving &c for the specific object of building a bridge over Albany Street at the Boston and Worcester Rail Road track. To the Committee, Otis Hich, Chairman. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 21 Came up concurred.

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Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets consider the expediency of widening Dorchester Avenue and Federal Street at their junction with the North Free Bridge.

Dorchester Avenue Federal Street.

On petition of Edmund Tarbell and others that a Gas Lamp be placed and lighted on Dorchester Street near Third Street, the Committee on Lamps reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Tarbell

On petition of George Hillman and others that Copps Hill Avenue may be repaired; of Galen Poole to be paid for damage sustained by change of grade in E & Fifth Streets; of G.W. Gilman and others that Piedmont Street may be accepted. The Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners severally have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hillman. Poole. Gilman.

On petition of George Revere to be paid for damages sustained on the change of grade in South Cedar Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the Board of Aldermen of last year awarded such damages as they deemed right and your Committee do not deem any further action necessary. Read & accepted.

Revere.

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Merrill
Mount Vernon St.

On petition of George W. Merrill that Mount Vernon St be lined between C and F Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that as an order has been passed for the opening of said street no further action thereon is necessary. Read and accepted.

Read
Second St.

On petition of B. F. Reed and others that Second St between L and N Streets be paved, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners at the present time. Read and accepted.

Fobes
Saratoga St.

The Committee on Paving on the petition of A. T. Fobes and others that Saratoga St may be opened over the Eastern Flats, would report, that it is inexpedient to open the same this year. Read and accepted.

Addison
Street.

The Committee on Paving, to whom was referred the subject of opening Addison St reported that it is inexpedient to open said street at present. Read and accepted.

McCullough

On the petition of William McCullough to be paid for change of grade in M. and other streets at South Boston, reported, that the case of the petitioner having been adjudicated by the last Board of Aldermen they deem it inexpedient to take any further action in the matter. Read and accepted.

Todd
Davis
Hammond

On the several petitions of Reuben J. Todd and others that measures be taken to prevent the surface water from flowing on to their land between Dorchester and Highland Streets; of William H. Davis and others that Belcher

Jane may be paved; of Hammond and Sawyer and others that 723
both Sides between Monroe and North Streets may be repaired the Aug. 11. 1856.
Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to
withdraw. Read and accepted.

Agreeably to the reports of the Coalweighers.
Committee on Licenses, Dennis B. Hill, George L. Hall, and Moses
Pipen were appointed Weighers of Coal.

Leave was granted to F. A. Munroe
Munroe & Co to give Theatrical Exhibitions at the Howard Athena-
um on the usual conditions.

On the notice of intention to Bond
build by Richard Bond on Shawmut Avenue the Committee on
Streets reported that no action is required as to the lines of said
street, but that so much of the subject as relates to the grade be re-
ferred to the Committee on Paving. Read, accepted and refer-
red accordingly.

Ordered: That there be paid to Folsom
Frederick Folsom the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for
damages occasioned by the change of grade of Church and Wa-
shington Streets upon his paving his lots to said Grade to the satisfac-
tion of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an ac-
quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in
consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Ordered: That the order
passed April 28th 1856 to pay said Frederick Folsom twenty five dol-
lars be and the same hereby is rescinded. Read once.

On petition of Charles F. Stevens Stevens
and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be au- Gun Court St.

1221. Mon 11 1850. Authorized to repave Sun Court Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. The abutters thereon to pay for new edgestone. Read once.

Dodge Sullivan Street — On petition of William B. Dodge and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Sullivan Street provided the abutters thereon agree to relinquish all claims against the City of Boston for grade damages. Read once.

Dunham E. Street. — On petition of J. Dunham and others, Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade E. Street from Fourth to Third Streets. Read once.

Spinney Eighth Street — On petition of Samuel R. Spinney and others. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Eighth Street between Dorcas and Dorchester Streets. Read once.

Brown Ninth Street. — On petition of Jeremiah Brown. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Ninth Street between K and L Streets. Read once.

Tuplin White Street. — On petition of L. G. Tuplin and others Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade White Street. Read once.

Hyer Dorchester Avenue. — On petition of Cyrus Hyer and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade

and pave Dorchester Avenue between the bridge over the Boston and New York Central Rail Road track and the northerly side of Sixth Street. Read once. | 125.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eleven o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Fourteenth day of August, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Feaney, Clarke and Wardman.

Six Jurors drawn for the Justices Court. | Jurors

Petition of Edward Tuckerman and others that the Board would remove the Projections on Washington Street near their Store. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Tuckerman. Washington Street.

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Stevens

Petition of N. A. Stevens for a change in the boundary line of his lot of land at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Johnson

Petition of N. A. Johnson & others that the Worcester Rail Road drain may empty into the Back Bay &c. and that the drain in West Castle Street may be lowered. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Dorchester & Nr. Railroad Federal Street Sewer.

Communication of the Superintendent of Sewers respecting the interference of the Dorchester & Roxbury Rail Road with the Federal Street Sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Auctioneers

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses Moses T. Kent and Luther were appointed Auctioneers at East Boston.

Waverly

Leave was granted to James Waverly to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Varieties August 12. 1856. on condition he pays the sum of eight dollars therefor in addition to the expense of four Police Officers.

Sun Court Street.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board to repair Sun Court Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 12. 1856.

L Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade L. Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 13. 1856.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Eighth Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by Mayor, August 18. 1856.

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to grade White Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 18. 1856

White Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to grade Ninth Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 18. 1856.

Ninth Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Sullivan Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 18. 1856.

Sullivan Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Frederick Folsom two hundred and fifty dollars for damage sustained by the change of grade of Church and Fayette Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 18. 1856.

Folsom

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the paving and grade of Dorchester Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 18. 1856.

Dorchester Avenue

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abutters on Friend Street between Merrimac and Causeway Streets to remove all steps which project into said Street, and to close all openings into the sidewalk which are

Friend Street.

not passed according to law: and in default thereof, after the expiration of five days, the said Chief of Police is directed to remove said steps and close said openings at the expense of said abutters.

Chief of Police horse &c.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be authorized to draw from the City Treasury three hundred dollars for the support of a horse to be used by said Chief in his official duties and that the amount be charged to the appropriation for the Police Department. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.

Bridge Estate

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred an order to take into consideration the propriety of selling the property known as the "Bridge Estate," submit the following Report: That they have considered the subject referred to them and recommend that the property should not be sold at this time. For the Committee, Geo. W. Torrey, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 21. Came up concurred.

Bray and Stoddard

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of Bray and Stoddard that the bond given to them for land sold on West Cedar and Revere Streets may be cancelled and new ones given to them for certain reasons, having considered the subject, submit the following Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Geo. W. Torrey Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred.

Evan Read Jones

The Committee on Divers and Sundry to whom was referred so much of the report of the Committee on

Paving, as called to the report at the foot of Pelham Street upon the accompanying order. For the Committee Chas. J. Bingley, Chairman. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to cause the common sewer in Pelham Street to be extended as far towards low water mark, as may be required by the filling in of the dock at the foot of said street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 18. 1856.

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On petition of Thomas B. Tilton and others that Princeton Street be graded from Putnam to Prescott Streets, the Committee on Paving reported that, as an order has already been passed for that object, no further action is necessary. Read and accepted.

Tilton
Princeton Street.

On petition of John C. Pilsbury that the sidewalks in Malden Street may be relaid, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary on their part, but that said petition be referred to the Committee on Internal Health. Read and accepted.

Pilsbury
Malden Street.

The Committee on Public Buildings submitted to the Board for its approval, a lease of the Bridge Estate, so called, for three years from September 1st next to Samuel L. Bates at an annual rent of eighteen hundred dollars. Read and approved.

Bridge
Estate leased.

Whereas, it appears to this Board that the cargo of the ship Jane H. Glidden, bound to Boston from Havana is in a dangerously infected state by reason of the existence of Yellow Fever on board said vessel, it is hereby Ordered: That the Port Physician be directed to detain said vessel in quarantine upon her arrival in this harbor, and that said vessel and cargo be thoroughly examined and purified before she is allowed to come up

Glidden
Yellow Fever

450 to the City, and the Chief of Police is hereby directed, under the
Aug. 11. 1856. advice of the Committee on External Health, to lend such assist-
ance to the Port Physician in the premises (as may be required)
on board the Quarantine Boat.

Dorchester Avenue Rail Road. No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of turnouts on the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road in Broad Street and Dorchester Avenue, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Paving.

North Free Bridge. The Committee on Bridges, who have in charge the subject of the widening and repairs of the North Free Bridge, since the passage of the order of July 23d last which authorized such repairs and widening at an expense not exceeding Sixteen thousand dollars, of which the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company is to pay Six thousand dollars, have upon a more mature consideration of the subject, and after issuing proposals, ascertained that in their estimate heretofore made for the New Draw, and which was compiled from an authentic source, they omitted to provide for the construction of the foundation for the same. They now find that, in addition to the sum allowed by the order of July 23d they will require the sum of Five thousand dollars to construct a suitable foundation for the new draw, and to finish the proposed work of widening the Bridge in a proper and suitable manner, and one which will be creditable to the City of Boston. They therefore submit the following order. For the Committee, Eben Jackson, Chairman. Ordered: That in addition to the sum authorized by this Board on the 23d of July last for the alterations and repairs of the North Free Bridge, the Committee on Bridges be and they are hereby authorized to expend the sum of Five thousand dollars in order that said repairs and alterations may be made in a

durable and substantial manner." said order having been read 1/31
twice, and having been amended, on motion of Alderman Dingley, July 11, 1836.
by adding at A. "provided the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company
pay their pro rata of said additional expense," was passed by the fol-
lowing vote, Yeas - Aldermen Brewster, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kend-
all, Plummer, Rich, Torrey & Tay - Alderman Culbow 1. Two Thirds of
the Board voting in favor of the same.

Ordered: That the Superinten- Hanover
dent of Streets be authorized to grade Hanover Street from Porter to Ben- Street.
nington Street. Read once.

Ordered: That the portion of Mount Vernon
Mount Vernon Street westerly of Charles Street, be and the same hereby Street.
is accepted and dedicated as a public highway, and the Superin-
tendent of Streets is authorized to grade the same. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superin- Louisburg
tendent of Streets be authorized to pave gutters in Louisburg Square. Square
Read once.

Ordered: That the portion of Everett
the Street extending from the westerly line of Everett Street, as now Street.
laid out, to the easterly abutment of the Canal Bridge, be accepted
and dedicated as a public highway whenever a sufficient founda-
tion shall have been constructed to support said Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Saturday the Seventh day of August, Anno Domini, 1852. by order of the Mayor.

Present,

The Mayor, Alderman Linsley, Hammett, Gallow, Rich, Jackson, Kendall, and Brewster.

City Clerk pro tem

The City Clerk, Samuel F. McCleary, being necessarily absent, on nomination by the Mayor, W.P. Gregg, Esq. was appointed city clerk pro tem. and the oath of office was administered to him by the Mayor.

Corwin Quarantine

The Board having learned that the Barque Tom Corwin had arrived at India Wharf, having several cases of Yellow Fever on board it was Ordered: That instructions be and they are hereby given to the Port and City Physicians, to the Harbor Master and Pilots of Boston that all vessels arriving in this Harbor which are infected by yellow fever or cholera, and also all vessels arriving from ports or places where said diseases are known to exist, be taken to Deer Island for examination by the Port Physician and there detained until discharged by his certificate.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of | 1855.
Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the eleventh day of August, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Bonney.

Petition of Thomas Quinn respecting the intersection of a highway with his land on Second Street and praying for a remedy of said grievance. Referred to the committee on Paving. | Quinn.

Petition of Henry Smith and others that a Sewer be laid in Harrison Avenue from Florence Street to Decatur Street & Francis and Inn Sewer that the Silver Street Sewer may be extended. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. | Smith Sewer

Communication of the City Auditor and Treasurer respecting the necessity of a Sewer in Lenox Street to abate a nuisance. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. | Lenox Street.

Petition of S. B. Stebbins and others for the use of Faneuil Hall August 25th for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power. | Stebbins Faneuil Hall

Petition of Nathan Blood Jr. and of Joseph Strauss for appointment as Inholders. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. | Blood Strauss

Petition of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company for leave to erect a building for Stable for more than four Horses on Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Com[mittee] on the Fire Dept. | Dorchester Avenue Rail Road.

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Petition of Cyrus Alger & others for the removal of a portion of the Piers of the Lower Street Bridge.

Alger.

Referred to the Committee on Bridges with full power.

Richardson

Communication of Thomas Richardson respecting his claim for land taken to widen Sea Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Hobart

Petition of Peter Hobart, Jr to be paid for damages occasioned to him by taking land of Harrington to widen Federal Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Sears

Petition of John Sears for leave to exhibit some animals on Washington Street near the Roxbury line. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Peoples' Ferry Company.

Petition of the Peoples Ferry Company to be heard in relation to their claim for abatement of taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. August 21. Came up concurred

Forristall

Petition of Ezra Forristall that the personal tax assessed upon Forristall and Parmelee in 1854 & 1855, may be abated. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Aug. 21. Came up concurred.

Wood & Bark.

On nomination by the Mayor, Timothy Atwell was appointed a Measurer of Wood and Bark brought by land or water.

Dorchester Av: Railroad

Petition of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company that the order of August 11th 1856 touching the

increase of expenditure &c: on the North Free Bridge may be repeal- | 133.
ed. Read and laid on the table. | Aug. 18. 1856.

Agreeably to notice James Stond- | Pine
ly appeared and represented to the Board that a Sewer exists already | Street Sewer.
in Pine Street, where one is proposed to be constructed, whereupon
the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers.

On the petition of William C. | Blanchard-
Blanchard for a sewer in Shambrey Street, the Committee on Sewers | Shambrey Street.
reported a reference of the subject to the Committee on Paving, as
said street is not accepted by the City. Read, accepted and referred
accordingly.

On the petition of George Bailey | Bailey
to be paid for damage done to his property by the construction of the
Church Street Sewer, the Committee on Sewers reported a reference
of said petition to the Committee on Paving. Read, accepted and
referred accordingly.

On petition of William M. Wilson | Wilson.
and others. Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, | Dorchester Avenue.
on Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M., take into consideration the ex-
pediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Dorchester Avenue
between Fourth and Fifth Streets and of assessing the expense there-
of on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into
such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall
receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto,
will then and there be heard.

On petition of Benjamin James & | James
others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on | G Street.
Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M., take into consideration the expe-

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diency of constructing a Common Sewer in G. Street, between Broadway and Fifth Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be Heard.

Havre Street

The order submitted August 14th for the Superintendent of Streets to grade a portion of Havre Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 19. 1856.

Mount Vernon Street.

The order submitted August 14th for the acceptance of a portion of Mount Vernon Street, west of Charles Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 19. 1856

Leverett Street

The order submitted August 14th for the acceptance of the westerly end of Leverett Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 19. 1856.

Louisburg Square

The order submitted August 14th for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Louisburg Square was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Aug. 19. 1856.

L. Street

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade L Street between Seventh & Ninth Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 19. 1856

Dorchester Avenue Railroad

The Committee on Paving to which was recommitted the petition of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company for certain turnouts on their tracks in Broad Street & Dorchester

Avenue, report the accompanying order. For the Committee Chs. Rich Chairman. Ordered: That the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company is and they hereby are authorized to construct and maintain two additional turnouts or side tracks, not more than one hundred and twenty five feet each in length, one at the end of their road in Broad Street, and the other in South Boston in Dorchester Avenue near Washington Village, about seven hundred feet north of Dorchester Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 19. 1856. 157 Aug 18 1856.

Dorchester Avenue Rail Road tracks

Ordered: That the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company being allowed under their location made Dec 30th 1854 to lay their track at or near the centre of Dorchester Avenue in South Boston may put down the same at a distance from the centre of the street not exceeding four feet to the centre of the track on that part of the said Avenue lying south of the corner of Foundry Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor August 19. 1856.

Stover Comerford Chemical Works

The Committee on Internal Health to whom was referred the petition of A. P. Stover and others for abatement of a nuisance on Springfield Street occasioned by certain chemical Works, having heard the parties, report the accompanying Decree & Order. For the Committee, Robert Codman. Resolved: That the business and trade prosecuted by Patrick Comerford in a wooden building or shed on land of Andrew J. Allen on the southerly side of Springfield Street near Washington Street and immediately in the rear of premises of Asaph Parmelee, is, in the opinion of this Board dangerous to the public health and offensive to the inhabitants in the vicinity thereof, therefore, Ordered: That said Comerford be and he is hereby directed to desist forthwith from the further prosecution of the business of the man-

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ufacture of chemical substances and trade therein on said premises, and he is moreover forbidden to exercise said trade or prosecute said manufacture within the limits of this City without the express permission of this Board. Read, accepted and the resolve and order passed.

Chief of Police Horse

On motion of Alderman Wightman the Board reconsidered the vote of August fourteenth whereby the Chief of Police was allowed the sum of three hundred dollars for the keeping of a horse &c and the question being on the passage of said order it was rejected by the Board.

North Free Bridge

On motion of Alderman Jackson the Board reconsidered the vote of August fourteenth whereby an additional expenditure of five thousand dollars was authorized to be made for repairs and alterations on the North Free Bridge, and the question being on the passage of the order, it was amended by striking out all after A (as on page 431) and the order as amended was then adopted by the following vote - Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Sullivan, Cheever, Codman, Jackson, Kendall, Rich, Torrey, and Wightman - 9. Nays Aldermen Dingley and Plummer 2. More than two thirds of the Board voting in favor of the same. Approved by the Mayor. August 19. 1856.

Quarantine

On motion of Alderman Plummer, the Board reconsidered the vote of August eighteenth whereby a general quarantine was established on all vessels arriving in the Harbor from Ports where the yellow fever or cholera prevail - and the question being on the passage of the order it was amended by striking out all the words from A to B (on page 432) and inserting in place thereof the following "from Ports or places where Yellow Fever

is known to exist and also all cases which have or may have had during the progress of the voyage any malignant sickness on Board." And the order as amended was then adopted.

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On petition of Henry Smith that a sewer be laid in Washington Street from Pelham to Camden Streets, the Committee on Sewers reported that the prayer of the petitioner be granted provided three fourths of the cost be guaranteed to the City. Read and accepted.

Smith
Washington Street.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to John Harrington and others to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Varieties on Monday next upon payment of the sum of ten dollars and also the expense of four police officers.

Harrington

On petition of W. M. Prior for a sewer in Marion Street - Gideon Currier for a drain in Union Park - Jones Bessom for extension of the Sumner Street sewer - Benjamin Pope to be refunded the amount paid by him for construction of a sewer in K. street - of J. H. Coltrell and others for a hearing respecting the assessment for the construction of the Border Street Sewer, the Committee on Sewers reported that the several petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Prior
Currier
Bessom
Pope
Coltrell.

On petition of Moses Grant for a common Sewer in Charles Street, between Hay and Pinckney Streets, the Committee on Sewers reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted.

Grant.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Green Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and

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way cut as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to B. F. Russell bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Green Street, three measuring thirty feet and 7/10; Southeastwardly by land of W. S. Callender two feet and 1/100; Southwestwardly by the present line of said Street, thirty one feet and 17/100, and Northwestwardly by the same, two feet and 34/100: Containing sixty seven square feet and 7/10 more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated August 18th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Green Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Two Hundred dollars; which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fifth day of August, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Gannett.

Jurors. Thirty two traverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior Court.

Fisher. Petition of Fishers and Chapin and others that Clark Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Maynard. Petition of James A. Maynard that a suitable stone be placed in curbe and Marion Street to protect a tree near his premises. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Ward. Petition of George C. Ward and others that Bromfield Street may be repaired. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Fogue. Petition of Mary R. Fogue to be paid for damage sustained by the construction of a Sewer in Greenough Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Healy. Petition of James Healy for leave to Keep Swine at 467 Commercial Street. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Hebard. Petition of Hebard and Mansfield for leave to Keep an Intelligence Office at No 27 Exchange Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

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Petition of Trull, Brothers

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for renewal of their license as Manufacturers of Intoxicating Spirits. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Mass. Char.

Mechanic

Association.

Petition of the Massachusetts Charitable Mechanic Association for leave to occupy a portion of South Market Street with a Steam Engine to furnish motive power to machinery at their Fair. Referred to the Committees on Steam Engines and Market with full power.

Petition of John S. Rock and others that the word "color" may be omitted on the Tax Bills and Voting Lists, was read and laid on the table.

Hobart.

Dover Street.

Vide page 485.

Petition of Aaron Hobart and others, that measures be taken by the City to improve the Sewerage of Dover Street. Referred to the Joint Special Committee on Back Bay Lands. Sent down for concurrence.

Macomber

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of James B. Macomber, asking that further time be granted him for building on Northampton Street, have duly considered the same and would submit the following Report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee. Thos. H. Parker. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Loan.

Public Lands

Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance the sum of Fifty thousand dollars, and that the same be added to the appropriation for Public Lands. Passed in Common Council. Yeas. 58. Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas. Alder-

mon Brewster, Calicut, Chevers Bedman, Dingley, Hudson, Kimball, Hammond, 173.
Rich, Torrey, Wightman. N. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, Aug
ust 25. 1856. Aug. 25. 1856.

Whereas the City of Boston, by deed Smith
dated the first day of February, 1856, and recorded with Suffolk Deeds
Lib. 694. Fol 242. conveyed to Henry Smith a parcel of land consisting of
eight several lots as laid out by the City, upon certain conditions in
said deed set forth; and whereas the said Smith has divided said par
cel of land into nine parts, and erected a dwelling house on each
of said parts, in violation of one of the conditions of the said deed;
and whereas the said Smith has requested that he may be releas
ed from the condition in said deed requiring the houses on said land
to be severally of the width of the respective lots as laid out by the City,
and that the nine parts, into which the said land is now divided,
may be severed, so that the residue of the said conditions may ap
ply to each of the said nine parts separately: therefore, Ordered, That
the Mayor and the Superintendent of Public Lands be and they
are hereby authorized to execute such instrument or instruments
as may be necessary to release the said Smith, his heirs and as-
signs, from the said condition, which has been violated as afore-
said, and to make the residue of the said conditions apply to the
said nine parts severally, and so that a failure to comply with such
conditions, or any of them, shall affect those of the said parts only,
in regard to which such default shall be made. Report in Com
mon Council to the Committee on Public Lands. Came up for concurrence.
Read and concurred.

The Committee on Ordinances, to whom Fire
was referred an Ordinance repealing in part an Ordinance in re Department
lation to the Fire Department - also an Ordinance amending the sixth Ordinance

494 — tion of said Ordinance. Having considered the subject, Report:
Aug. 25. 1856. That said Ordinance ought not to pass. As a substitute, your Committee recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1856. (See Record of Ordinances)

Pond — Ordered: That the following bills
West & Co — for articles furnished for the use of the City by members of the City Government be audited and paid, provided they are approved and allowed in the usual manner. viz: Pond and Dunckley for one hundred twenty six dollars and thirty seven cents. Joseph West & Co for nine dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1856.

Winsor — The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Winsor, Jr. and others that certain bonds for land on Tremont Street may be cancelled and new bonds given, have duly considered the same and would submit the following report: That the prayer of the petitioners be granted upon payment of an equivalent portion of the purchase money. For the Committee Hon. T. Cader. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1856.

Mason — Ordered: That there be paid to H. Mason the sum of two hundred six dollars and ninety seven cents for labor and materials furnished the Trustees of the Public Library on account of city of Boston, provided the same is audited and passed by the regular Committee. Passed in Common Coun-

cil. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1856. | Aug. 25. 1856.

An order of the Common Council appointing the Mayor on the Joint Special Committee on the subject of the inauguration of the Franklin Statue, came up for concurrence. Read and this Board nonconcurred in the passage of said order, as the Mayor cannot legally be directed to serve on any Committees of the Government. | Franklin Statue.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Common Sewer in G. Street from Fifth to Silver Streets, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power. | G. Street.

Agreeably to notice Josiah Dunham, Jr. appeared and remonstrated on behalf of himself and his father against the proposed construction of a Sewer in Dorchester Avenue near Fifth Street whereupon the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers for further investigation. | Dunham Dorchester Av. Sewer.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No. 6 Endicott Street caused by an obstructed drain and stagnant water in cellar, vault overflowing &c. on said premises, belonging to Samuel D. Ward and Edward M. Gennis, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain and causing the vault to be emptied at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. | Endicott Street.

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North Hanover Court.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in North Hanover Court caused by an open cellar containing stagnant water on said premises, belonging to Mrs Sarah Blaisdell which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said cellar at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Boston Theatre.

A license was granted to Thomas Barry to open the Boston Theatre for the ensuing Dramatic Season on the usual conditions.

Tiffany-

Davies

On the several petitions of Daniel Tiffany to be paid for the construction of a sewer in Custom House Street of John A. Davies to be paid for building a Sewer in Myrtle Street, the Committee on Sewers reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Moore

Leave was granted to William A. Moore to give Dramatic Concerts and recitations at the Music Hall on the usual conditions.

Sears

Leave was granted to John Sears to exhibit his collection of Animals on Washington Street near Roxbury Shire on payment of five dollars for the license - the license to cover a term of twenty days from August fifteenth last.

Auctioneer

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses Nathan Blood is was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at corner of Paris and Sumner Streets, East Boston.

On petition of Daniel Inman for leave to construct a common sewer in lower part of Hancock Street, the Committee on Sewers reported that no further action thereon is necessary. Read and accepted.

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The Committee on Sewers to whom was referred the communication from the Superintendent of Health respecting the necessity of a sewer in Lenox Street, report that the subject be referred to the Committee on Public Grounds. Said accepted and referred accordingly. Read down for concurrence.

Lenox Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets consider and report on the expediency of widening Bowdoin Street, by taking a parcel of land from the Fullum estate.

Bowdoin Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to set edgestones and pave the gutters in Brooks Street from Washington Street to Saratoga Street; the abutters to pay for the edgestone; also to remove all obstructions over the line of said Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1836.

Brooks Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify all parties having obstructions over the line of Athens Street between E and F Streets to remove the same within ten days of the date of this order, and if the obstructions are not removed at the expiration of this period then the Chief of Police is further directed to cause the same to be removed.

Athens Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Green Street by taking

Green Street

148 and of B. F. Russell were read a second time and passed.
Aug. 25. 1856. Approved by the Mayor, August 25. 1856.

Armories. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Buildings be and he is hereby directed to prepare for this Board the Annual return of the Armories now used by the Volunteer Militia, stating the location and cost of each, according to the provisions of the second section of an act concerning Armories for the use of the Volunteer Militia passed April 26. 1853.

New Street over Tide Lands. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be authorized to construct under the direction of the Committee on Public Lands, such sewers and drains through the New Street leading from Tremont Street, towards Shawmut Avenue and between Camden and Lenox Streets, as may be deemed necessary for the proper drainage of the adjoining lands upon said streets, The expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for Public Lands. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Aug. 25. 1856.

Park Square Ordered: That the Committee on the Common and Public Squares be and they are hereby authorized and directed to enclose "Park Square" with a suitable Iron Fence and complete said Square in accordance with a Report of the Board of Aldermen passed November 24th 1855. Read and laid on the table.

Perambulation The Committee appointed to make arrangements for the perambulation of the boundary lines between ~~of the boundary lines between~~ Boston and Roxbury, Dorchester and Brookline Report: That agreeably to notice the Committee with other members of the Board met the Aldermen of Dorchester and Roxbury

and the Mayor and Aldermen of Roxbury on the tenth of the last. 1849.
and ran the boundary lines and renewed the bound marks between July 25. 1856.
this City and Dorchester, Roxbury and Brookline, as follows: Thom-
as Hummer, Joseph M. Wightman Committee. Read and ac-
cepted and the certificates of Incumbulation were adopted, as follows:
Boundary Lines between the City of Boston and the City of Roxbury. Roxbury.
We the subscribers, the Aldermen of the City of Boston, and the Mayor
and Aldermen of the City of Roxbury, pursuant to notice, met this
tenth day of July, A.D. 1856, at the place appointed, and ran the line,
and renewed the bound marks between the City of Boston, and the
City of Roxbury, as follows, to wit:- Beginning in the centre of the chan-
nel dividing the City of Roxbury and the Town of Dorchester, at the
point where the line dividing the City of Boston from the Town of Dor-
chester intersects the centre of said channel; from thence running
Northerly by the centre of said channel until it meets the centre of
another channel, then running Westerly through the centre of the last
mentioned channel to a monument placed therein, then running
in a Southwesterly direction, about two thousand six hundred and twen-
ty two feet, to a point in the centre of the Roxbury Canal, which point
is situated one thousand and seven feet from the Southeasterly side
of Harrison Avenue, measuring Southeasterly in the range of the
westerly side of Worcester Street - if extended westerly as laid out from
Tremont Street to Harrison Avenue, in said Boston - then running
in the centre of said Canal to a point in the same which intersects
the boundary line that was established prior to May 3d in the year
eighteen hundred and fifty; then running in a Southwesterly direc-
tion to a stone monument standing on the Northerly side of Northamp-
ton Street marked B. on the westerly side, and R. on the easterly side,
thence continuing in the same direction to a stone monument stan-

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ning in a meadow, which marks the South bounds of the City of Boston, which monument is marked B on the Northeasterly side, and R on the Southwesterly side; from thence running Northwesterly to a stone post standing in Reed Street, marked B on the Northeasterly side, and R on the Southwesterly side, thence continuing in the same direction to a stone post standing in Washington Street, marked B on the Northeasterly side, and R on the Southwesterly side, the two last distances being together about seven hundred and fifty seven feet; from thence across said street to the fence dividing the land now or formerly belonging to Isaac Hall and others (formerly also of Minot) from land now or formerly belonging to Susanna and Sarah Davis (formerly also of John Richardson, Esq.) thence by said fence and the line thereof continued to the creek formerly opening into the Bay leading to Cambridge, but now into the full Basin of the Boston and Roxbury Mill Corporation; thence through the centre of said brook to the centre of the Bridge across Tremont Street, thence by a line running Northwesterly at right angles with said Tremont Street, about two hundred and fifty feet to the middle of the said brook; thence by the centre of said brook to a stone post standing in the Dyke of said corporation, dividing said full Basin from the receiving Basin of said Corporation, marked B on the Southeasterly side, and R on the Northwesterly side, from thence running North fifty three degrees west, in a direction to the Steeple of Park Street meeting house in Boston, about two hundred and ninety rods, to the centre of the main channel westerly of Charles and Pleasant Streets in Boston; from thence Northerly through the centre of said channel, to a point two hundred feet distant, southerly, from the Mill Dam, or Western Avenue, thence running Westerly, by a straight line to a stone post standing on the Easterly side of the branch of the said Mill Dam, leading to Sibley,

marked B. on the northerly side, and L. on the southerly side; thence 451.
across said branch Dam, to another Stone post, standing on the west- Aug. 25. 1836.
erly side thereof, and marked B. on the northerly side, and L. on
the southerly side; thence by the centre of the channel in said
full Basin to the line dividing Boston and Roxbury from Brookline.
In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands the day and
year first written. John T. Heard, Mayor of Roxbury. George T. Griggs. Ab-
bum Ward. Charles C. Nichols. Jas G. Terry. Chas C. Grant. Aldermen of
Roxbury. Farnham Plummer. Joseph M. Wightman. Otmyn Bourne. Al-
dermen of Boston. Boundary line between the City of Boston and the Dorchester
Town of Dorchester. We the subscribers, the Aldermen of the City of
Boston, and the Selectmen of the Town of Dorchester, pursuant to no-
tice, met the tenth day of July, A. D. 1836. at the place appointed, and
run the line, and renewed the Bound marks between the City of
Boston and the Town of Dorchester, as follows, to wit:- Beginning
at a point in Dorchester Bay, which is on the dividing line between
Dorchester and Quincy; thence running through the Bay to a Stone
monument on the side of the Old Colony Rail Road, marked B. on
the Northeasterly side, and L. on the Southwesterly side, which
stone monument is distant northerly one hundred and forty feet
from the centre of a culvert under said Rail Road, thence North
fifty six degrees west, two thousand eight hundred and twenty
three feet, to a stake and stones on the Road-land now or late of
Widow Eliza Howe of Dorchester- in this last mentioned course and
distance passing through monuments on Dorchester and Boston
Roads, and also passing and touching the Northerly corner of
a stone wall standing on land now, or late of Capt. Wm Clapp of
Dorchester- being the same line described in the Act to set off a
part of the Town of Dorchester, and annex the same to the City

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of Boston, passed May 21st 1855. thence continuing North fifty six degrees west to the centre of the channel which is the dividing line between Dorchester and Roxbury. In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands the day and year first written. Farnham Plummer, Joseph M. Wightman, Cmyn Brewster Aldermen of Boston. Ebenezer Eaton, A. K. Ruggles Lewis W. Pierce Selectmen of Dorchester. We the

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subscribers, the Aldermen of the City of Boston and the Selectmen of the Town of Brookline, pursuant to notice, met the tenth day of July, A.D. 1856, at the time and place appointed, and run the line and renewed the bound marks between the City of Boston, and the Town of Brookline, as follows, to wit: Beginning at a stone post marked Bo. on the Easterly side, and Br. on the Westerly side; standing on the Boston and Roxbury Mill Dam, Westerly from the new filling sluices erected in said Dam (the old sluices referred to in the Act of February 22d 1825, entitled An act relative to the boundary lines of the City of Boston, and to the Town of Brookline having been removed) thence running Northwesterly from said post, at an angle of one hundred and fifteen degrees from the Mill Dam, until it strikes the centre of the channel of Charles River, and also running from the said post Southerly, at an angle of one hundred and three degrees, forty minutes until it strikes the centre of the channel of Muddy River, at a point where the respective boundaries of Boston, Brookline, and Roxbury meet each other, being the same line mentioned and described in the above recited act. In testimony whereof we have hereto set our hands this day and year first above mentioned. Farnham Plummer. Joseph M. Wightman. Cmyn Brewster. Aldermen of Boston. James Bartlett Howard & Williams, Selectmen of Brookline.

Adjourned to Monday Sep. 8. 1856. at four o'clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Springfield at City Hall on Monday the First day of September, Anno Domini 1856. called to order by the Mayor.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Coolman.

Six Grand Jurors drawn for the Municipal Court - Thirty five Jurors were drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court - Four Grand Jurors and three Petit Jurors drawn for the United States District Court. — Jurors

Petition of Henry Emerson to be appointed a Weigher of Coal. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Emerson.

Petition of Jas. H. Sears & others that Washington Court may be accepted as a public highway. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Sears

Petition of Woodman and Perry to be appointed Auctioneers of this city. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. — Woodman

Remonstrance of George S. Wentworth and others against granting a license to the National Theatre unless the sale of liquor in said building be prohibited. Referred to the committee on Licenses. — Wentworth & National Theatre

Petition of Samuel Bray that the grade for his stable on Albany Road near the Worcester and Road Bridge may be given to him. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Bray

Petition of Joseph Davis and others that the grade of Perry Street may be lowered. Ref.d to the Com.e on Paving. — Davis

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Willard.

Petition of Henry Willard for a license for the National Theatre in the ensuing Dramatic season. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Sawyer.

Petition of F. W. Sawyer, for the line of Dorchester Avenue, near the Mechanics' wharf. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Metropolitan Rail Road.

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company that a single track be laid in Washington Street, from Boylston Street to Cornhill, in Cornhill and in Tremont Street from Cornhill to the Granary Burying Ground: referred to the Committee on Paving. A motion that the petitioners have leave to withdraw having been lost by a vote of three in the affirmative to eight in the negative.

Hall.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to James Hall and others to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Varieties September 8th instant, on payment of twelve dollars and the expense of four Police Officers.

Sanderson & Finnegan

Agreeably to the report of the committee on Licenses, Messrs Sanderson and Finnegan are licensed to exhibit a display of Fireworks at the United States Agricultural Grounds on the evening of September 8th instant.

Fifty Associates

Ordered: That there be paid to the Fifty Associates the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars for land taken to extend Friend Street, in the twenty months of June 1855 upon their giving to the City a release of the same, and an acquittance & discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of

said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 1st 1856. 755. Sep. 1. 1856.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in cellar of No 5. Howard Street caused by filthy water in cellar, also filthy water closet &c on said premises, belonging to Redding Fairs & Waverly, Agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by thoroughly cleansing said cellar and vault, or water closet, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Howard Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and set edgestone in Marion Street, East Boston, from Lexington to Princeton Streets, in conformity with the established grade, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. The abutters thereon to pay for the edgestone to be furnished by the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 1. 1856 Marion Street.

Whereas J. C. & R. Braun & Co have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Lot Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said J. C. & R. Braun & Co and to William B. Spooner & E. H. Nutting Lot Street — Braun — Spooner

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that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street_ and that Monday, the eighth day of September instant, at four Oclock, PM. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Summer Street Trinity Church

Whereas the lines of Summer Street are prospectively established by this Board by a vote passed March 2d 1798. and whereas in the Opinion of this Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened in front of Trinity Church, it is therefore hereby Ordered. That due notice be given to the Wardens and Vestry of said Church that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street_ and that Monday, the eighth day of September instant at four Oclock, PM. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Bowdoin Square Church

Whereas this Board by a Resolve passed the fifth day of August ult took a certain parcel of land, therein described, lying on Bowdoin Square and laid out the same as a public street or way of said City, it is therefore Ordered. That due notice be given to the Proprietors of Bowdoin Square Church and all other persons interested as owners proprietors, tenants, occupants or otherwise, in said land that they cut off, pull down, remove and carry away all buildings, erections and obstructions of every sort standing on and projecting over the line of said Bowdoin Square, as established by the Report aforesaid, or, more and set back the same to the said line, and vacate and surrender

the land and premises taken as aforesaid, on or before the twenty second day of September instant. And in default thereof, the Chief of Police is hereby directed and empowered forthwith to enter upon said land and cause all buildings, erections and obstructions standing on and projecting over the line of said Bowdoin Square, as established by the Board aforesaid, to be cut off, pulled down, removed and carried away, or to be moved and set back to said line, and the said land to be vacated and surrendered under the direction of the Committee on laying out and widening Streets. 1/5; Sept. 1. 1836

The Committee on Sewers and Drains to whom was referred the petition of W. H. Howard for a sewer in Pine Street, report, that the prayer of the petitioner be granted provided that three fourths of the expense be guaranteed to the City. For the Committee, John F. Dingley, Chairman. Read and accepted. Howard Pine Street.

On motion of Alderman Dingley, the vote whereby, at the last meeting, the Board referred the subject of the Henry Street sewer to the Committee on Public Lands, was reconsidered, and the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers. Henry Street Sewer.

Alderman Rich offered the following order. Ordered: That due notice be given to the abutters on Washington Street between Boylston Street and Cornhill on Cornhill and on Tremont Street, between Cornhill and the Granary Burying Ground, that this Board intend to grant the prayer of the Metropolitan Railroad Company, and that Thursday the eighteenth day of September instant at eleven o'clock, A. M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Said Rich on the table. Metropolitan Rail Road.

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Union

Ordered: That there be paid to the Treas of Seth Johnson the sum of Three thousand eight hundred and ten dollars for land taken to widen Union Street, on the twenty second day of December 1855 upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Grant Warren &c

Ordered: That there be paid to Grant Warren &c the sum of Thirty eight hundred dollars for damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street, July 28th 1855. upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Fullerton.

Ordered: That there be paid to Jacob Fullerton, Junior the sum of Four thousand dollars for his damages sustained from the extension of Friend Street on the 28th July 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read once.

Wood Measurer

On nomination by the Mayor Sandbury & Russell was appointed a Measurer of Wood and Bark in this City.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Eighth day of September, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Dingley.

Four Jurors drawn for the Municipal Court and six Jurors drawn for the Justices' Court. Jurors

Petition of Thomas J. Turner and others for the extension of the Gold Street Sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers Turner.

Petition of George C. Frothingham and others that West Castle Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. Frothingham

Petition of Henry Harvey for leave to exhibit some wild animals or wild men of Borneo in the Public Garden on the 17th of September and the 1st of October. Referred to the Committee on the Common and Licenses. Harvey

Petition of John Tappan that the corner of the new building on corner of Chauncy and Summer Streets may be rounded. Referred to the Committee on Streets Tappan

Notice from George E. Ellis that he intended to alter the line of his fence &c on Summer Street, and requesting the action of the City thereon. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Ellis Summer Street.

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Donaldson — Petition of Andrew Donaldson to be paid for injuries sustained by his child falling into a Numbers hole on Fulton Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Ord'g came up concurred.

Hussey — Petition of Thomas Hussey for license as an Auctioneer at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Murphy — Petition of James Murphy to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in A. Second and Third Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Taggard — Petition of C. H. Taggard and others that Marion Street may be graded from Trenton to Lexington Streets;

Brigham — of M. B. Brigham and others that Malden Street may be re-numbered;

Hanwood — of Samuel Hanwood that Trend Street may be graded and finished in a suitable manner. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sayles — Protest of Maria F. Sayles against

Metropolitan Railroad — the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road in Tremont Street. Read and placed on file.

Bryant — Petition of W. M. Bryant to be paid for damage sustained by the extension of Trend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Cazen — Petition of Samuel Cazen to be paid for alleged damages sustained by the grading of Ninth Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Brigham. — Petition of Peter B. Brigham & others that the Tremont Street sidewalk from Howard Street to Pemberton Sq. may be widened. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Sister Street by taking land of W. B. Spooner &c., said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets

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Sister Street
Spooner.

Agreeably to notice S. H. Parker, Senior Warden, and James Lee, Jr. Treasurer of Trinity Church appeared and remonstrated against the proposed taking of the land of said Church at the present time - whereupon the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Trinity Church
Summer
Street.

A proposition from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department for the admission of certain parties into Hydrant Company No. 4. to serve without pay was read and referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Fire
Department

A notice from the Board of Engineers of the Fire Department, that the Department will be ready for inspection and review by the City Council on the morning of September 17th at 1/4 of 9 o'Clock - was read and placed on file.

Fire
Department
review.

A communication from S. G. Drake, Esq. presenting to the Mayor and Aldermen a copy of his recently published work on the History and Antiquities of Boston from 1630. to 1770, was read - and said copy was accepted by the Board and the City Clerk was directed to return to the Donor the thanks of this Board therefor

Drake's
History of
Boston

On petition of George Bailey to be paid for damage sustained by the construction of the Church Street sewer, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary on their part as the petitioner has received his

Bailey

1862. pay for grade damages. Read and accepted.

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Simonds Ward Tyler. On petition of Avan Simonds and others that a culvert be constructed in Dorchester Avenue near the Mechanics Bank; of George C. Ward and others that Bromfield Street may be repaired; of John Tyler that East Castle Street may be repaired, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is required thereon at the present time. Read and accepted.

Maynard Eutaw Street. On petition of James Maynard that a suitable Stone may be placed in Eutaw Street, at the corner of Marion Street to protect a tree at that spot, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Fishers Clark Street. On petition of Fishers and Chapin and others that Clark Street may be widened, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Hebard On the petition of Hebard and Mansfield for leave to keep an Intelligence Office at 2d Exchange Street, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Liquor Manufacturer. Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, a Manufacturers' License for the Sale of Intoxicating Liquors was granted to Rust Brothers on Lancaster Street.

Coal Weigher Henry Emerson was reappointed a Weigher of Coal.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to John Turner to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Pavilion, Sep. 15th on payment of fourteen dollars for the license, and the sum of four dollars for the attendance of four Police Officers. 1763. Sep. 8. 1836 Turner

Woodman and Perry were appointed Auctioneers of this City at the Mercantile Building in Summer Street. Auctioneers

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Henry Willard to open the National Theatre in Portland Street, provided no intoxicating or fermented liquors are sold within the walls of said Theatre Building - said license to be revoked on proof of the sale of intoxicating or fermented liquors within the walls of said Theatre building. Willard - National Theatre

The Committee on Paving on the petition of William E. Blanchard and others, that Hamburg Street be accepted, would report in favor of accepting said Street, whenever the abuttors thereon will sign an agreement to release the City of Boston from all claims for grade damages in making a regular and uniform grade therefor, and remove all obstructions projecting over the line of said street. For the Committee. Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Blanchard Hamburg Street.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abuttors on the westerly side of Harrison Avenue between Dover and Malden Streets to lay their sidewalks with brick or flat stones within twenty days, and if said sidewalks are not laid at the expiration of this period then they will be laid at the expense of said abuttors. Harrison Avenue

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Sept. 2. 1850.

Fremont Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be requested to inquire into the expediency of further widening Fremont Street, near the corner of Boylston Street and report thereon as early as practicable.

Broadway.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on vacant land situated on Broadway, caused by stagnant water on said premises, belonging to William Wright, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by draining said lot into the common sewer on Broadway at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Dorchester Avenue. Federal Street. Old Colony Railroad. South Cove Corporation.

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the order of August 11th last concerning the expediency of widening Dorchester Avenue and Federal Street, near the Bridge, reported the following order of notice. Whereas in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the Dorchester Avenue and Federal Street should be widened at the Bridge. It is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the Old Colony Rail Road Company, and to South Cove Corporation, That this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of their land, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the fifteenth day of September instant, at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto, and accepted and the order passed.

Whereas it appears to this Board 1765.
that a nuisance exists in Thornburg Street caused by an obstructed and Sept. C. 1756.
insufficient drain on said premises belonging to Wm Grant, Daniel Thornburg
Whalen, John Mc Gennis, Wm Cook Jr. Nichols, E. Mc Nench, David L. Mc Street.
Elroy, P. Cunningham, Wm Callahan, J. Thomas, H. Brought H.C. Grant
Conard, James Mc Laughlin, C. Ferrin, J. Mc Gaw, P. B. Drake, Sol. H. M.
Litchfield, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by causing a new drain to be built, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Province
that a nuisance exists in Province Court caused by insufficient and Court.
obstructed drainage on said premises, belonging to Wm Greenough, Francis Milliken, Mrs Betty Foster and others which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by clearing said drain from all obstructions and building such addition as shall be required, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Whereas it appears to this Board Williams
that a nuisance exists on premises in rear of Williams Street, Street
caused by an obstructed drain on said premises, belonging to The Thompson, Sol. L. Ward, B. C. White, Sgt. Mr. Patrick Mooney and John Ashton, Sgt. which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is Hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by clearing said drain of all obstructions, at the expense of said parties, who

1166 having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

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Grant & Co

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Grant, Warren & Co thirty eight hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the extension of Friend Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sept 8. 1856.

Fullerton

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Jacob Fullerton Esq. Five thousand dollars for damages occasioned by the extension of Friend Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sept. 8. 1856.

Johnston

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Wm Johnston heirs Three thousand eight hundred and ten dollars for land taken to widen Union Street in 1854 was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 8, 1856.

Amusement

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to cause all places of business or amusement to be closed at eleven o'clock, P.M. from and after the passage of this order. Read once.

Fremont Row

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to cause Fremont Row to be renumbered, commencing No 1. at the corner of Howard Street and running the numbers regularly to Ambrelen Square. Read once.

Richardson

Ordered: That there be paid to Thomas Richardson the sum of Four hundred and sixty dollars for land taken to widen Sea Street, said sum being the amount with

the interest thereon which the City, by a vote of the Board of Alder- 167
men on the 20th March 1854, agreed to pay said Richardson, upon his Sep. 2. 1856.
giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and dis-
charge in all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking;
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated
claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid to | Hunneman

Hunneman and Company the sum of Five hundred eighty eight
dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, namely 327/100 square
feet, upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquitt-
ance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence
of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for
laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid | Robinson.

to Charles E. Robinson the sum of Four thousand dollars for land taken
to extend Friend Street, on the twenty eighth of July 1855 upon his giving
a release of any title and interest which he may have in and to
Scott Court, and upon his giving to the City a Deed for the land taken
as aforesaid, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages,
costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read
once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, PM,

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the fifteenth day of September, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jurors — Eight Traverse Jurors drawn for the Superior Court.

Hunt
Way
Thayer. — Petition of W. H. G. Hunt and others that Worcester Street may be lighted with Gas — of Samuel A. Way that Tremont Street, near Roxbury Line, be lighted with Gas. of John E. Thayer and others that Rime Street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Dearborn — Petition of John M. Dearborn for leave to exhibit his Patent Scaffold in South Market Street. Referred to the Committee on the Market with full power.

Brown — Petition of Benjamin F. Brown for leave to close a portion of Emerald Street on September 17th Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Way — Petition of Samuel A. Way to be paid for loss of time and rent in the removal of the City to give him the grade of Albany Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Washburn
Conley — Petition of William Washburn and others that Orange Avenue may be repaired, — of C. C. Conley that First Street near I. Street, may be raised to its established grade. Referred to the Committee on Paving

Scofield — Petition of S. F. Scofield to be licensed as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of John P. Ordway for leave to give Musical Exhibitions at Ordway Hall. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. 169. Sep. 15. 1856. Ordway.

Petition of William N. Mann and others that Washington Street may be widened by taking a portion of the Redman Estate of George Bartlett and others, that Chardon and Ivers Streets be widened. Referred to the Committee on Streets. Mann. Bartlett.

Petition of Elisha Cutler for liberty to remove gravel from his track in Winthrop, and of James Wyman, agent for minor children for the same privilege. Referred to the Committee on the Harbor. Sent down for concurrence. Ord.d. came up concurred. Cutler. Wyman.

Petition of William S. Hall to be compensated for personal injuries sustained by falling into a coal hole in Shoe and Leather Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Ord.d. came up concurred. Hall.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Dorchester Avenue by taking land of the Old Colony Rail Road Company, said subject was committed to the Committee on Streets with full power. Dorchester Avenue.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Federal Street by taking land of the South Cove Company, said subject was committed to the Committee on Streets with full power. Federal Street.

On nomination by the Mayor Edwin Thompson and Louis Dennis were appointed Police Officers of the City for the present year. Police.

Sept. 13. 1856.

Special Police

On nomination by the Mayor, William Lawrey, Charles M. Clark and fifty eight other persons whose names are recorded in the Book of Officers appointed by the Mayor and Aldermen were appointed Police Officers for special duty on the seventeenth instant, the day of the inauguration of the Statue of Benjamin Franklin.

Perry Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be and he is hereby authorized to pave the gutters, set the edgestones and lay the sidewalks in Perry Street and to that end to make such change in the grade of said Street as he may deem necessary. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sept. 16. 1856

Faneuil Hall Market to be closed

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Faneuil Hall Market be and he is hereby authorized to close said Market House on the day and evening of the seventeenth day of September instant. Read twice and passed.

Streets to be closed

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be and he is hereby directed to cause the streets designated on the route of the Municipal and Fire Department Processions on the Seventeenth instant, to be closed against the passage of all vehicles during the progress of said Processions also, to close up Boylston Street from Tremont to Pleasant Streets Charles Street from Pleasant to Beacon Streets, and Beacon Street from Charles to Spruce Streets during the trial of skill by the Fire Department in the afternoon of said day. And the Chief of Police is further directed to exclude as far as possible, all persons from the enclosure occupied by the children of the Public Schools, on Beacon Street. Read twice and passed.

Ordered: That the room of the Mayor and Aldermen be reserved on the Seventeenth instant for the use of the members of the Board and their friends

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Sep. 15. 1856.
Mayor & Aldermen.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Common Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to cause the Common Sewer at the westerly end of Sumner Street to be extended through the Sea Wall at the foot of said Street. And twice passed. Approved by the Mayor, September 10. 1856.

Sumner Street.

On petition of Thomas J. Turner and others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Gold Street between E. and F. Streets, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Turner Gold Street.

On petition of Francis Savery and others. Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of extending the Common Sewer in Silver Street towards A Street, and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons, who may enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who, by any more remote means, shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections thereto, will then and there be heard.

Savery Silver Street.

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Smith
Harrison
Avenue.

On petition of Henry Smith &
others Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will
on Monday next at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the
expediency of constructing a common sewer in Harrison Avenue,
between Florence and Decatur Streets, and of assessing the ex-
pense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains
into such common sewer, or who, by any more remote means,
shall waive any benefit thereby: Any person, making objections
thereto, will then and there be heard.

Sanderson

Agreeably to the report of the
Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Messrs Sanderson &
Lanergan to exhibit a display of Fireworks at the U.S. Agricultural
Grounds on the evening of Sept. 17 instant.

Richardson

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Thomas Richardson the sum of four
hundred and sixty dollars for land taken to widen Sea Street was
read a second time and was laid upon the table.

Hunneman

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Hunneman & Co four hundred and
eighty eight dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street was
read a second time and passed. (See page 479.)

Peirson

The order submitted at the last
meeting of the Board to pay Charles E. Peirson Four Thousand
dollars for damages arising from the extension of Friend Street was
read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sept 16.
1856.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to remove Fremont Row was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 18. 1856. 173. Sep. 18. 1856. Fremont Row.

The order offered at the last meeting of the Board for the Chief of Police to cause all places of business or amusement to be closed at eleven o'clock, P. M. was read a second time and was laid upon the table. Amusements

The Committee on Sewers and Drains to whom was referred the communication of the Superintendent of Health respecting the necessity of a sewer in Jones Street to abate a nuisance therein, reported a reference of the subject to the Committee on Internal Health. Read accepted and reference accordingly. Jones Street.

On petition of John Tappan that the corner of the new building on Chauncy and Summer Streets may be rounded, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Accepted. Tappan

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Thomas Gurr to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Theatre on Sept. 22d upon the payment of sixteen dollars and the expense of four Police Officers to be employed on the occasion. Gurr.

Petition of Jane Collins that a guardian may be appointed for her husband Wm Collins who is charged with being a Spendthrift, was read to the Board; and the testimony of the witnesses adduced by her, viz: Catharine Collins and Nathaniel Leavering having been heard by the Board it was voted that the petitioner have leave to withdraw, the bearing paid Collins Spendthrift

to election pay of Fire Allegation.

Sep. 15. 1856

Mortgage discharged

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the mortgage given by William Williams to the City of Boston. April 12. 1853, the notes for which said mortgage was given as security having been fully paid. Read once.

Sisler Street. Spooner.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Sisler Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to H. B. Spooner bounded as follows, viz: Northeastwardly by the proposed line of widening of Sisler Street three hundred and twenty six feet and 55/100; Southeastwardly by land of W. Blanchard eleven feet and 5/10; Southwestwardly by the present line of the said Street one hundred and twenty eight feet and 7/10, and Northwestwardly by Channing Street eleven feet and 5/10: containing one thousand five hundred and ninety three square feet and 5/10 more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer dated September 8th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Sisler Street, as aforesaid, will amount to three thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of persons

alterations or discontinuances in said Road, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once. 173. Sept. 15. 1856.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the city require that Summer Road should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Road or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Thirsten and Betsy Hardy situated as follows, viz:- Northeasterwardly by the proposed line of widening Summer Road, there measuring one hundred feet; Southeasterwardly by Church Road, one foot and 6/10; Southwesterwardly to the proposed line of Summer Road, one hundred feet, and Northwesterwardly to the same four feet and 7/10. containing three hundred and twenty square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City engineer dated September 5th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Summer Road, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Said widening of Road and taking of land, being in accordance with an agreement made between the City and the abuttors on said Road and recorded in City Records, May 22d 1848. Vol. 26. page 220. Read once. Hardy Church Summer Road

Ellis Summer Road

Whereas Lee O. Ellis has given notice to this Board of his intention to alter the fence in front of his estate on Summer Road, in the said City, and in the opinion of the Board, the safety & convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Road should be widened at the place named in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Lee O. Ellis that this Board intend to widen said Road by taking land from the said estate in accordance with the agreement between him & the City of Boston, mentioned in said public records & that Monday, the 22d day of Sept. inst. at 4 o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

1856.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty second day of September Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Jurors

Thirty two Traverse Jurors were drawn for the second session of the Superior Court.

Forristall

Petition of Ezra Forristall and others that Southac Street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

McCormick

Petition of James McCormick for leave to keep an Intelligence Office in Albany Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Leach

A complaint of sundry persons against Nicholas C. Leach a Funeral Undertaker was referred to the Committee on Cemeteries.

Bowdoin Square Bapt: Church

Communication of the Proprietors of the Bowdoin Square Baptist Church respecting the land taken from them to widen said Square, and asking remuneration therefor. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Dorchester Ave Railroad Co

Petition of the Dorchester Avenue Railroad Company for leave to construct a single track through A and other Streets at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Lane

Petition of P. F. Lane to be paid for filling up B Street between Second and First Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

An invitation from the Board of Overseers of the House of Correction to this Board to visit that Institution on Friday afternoon next, was read and accepted. | 477. Sept 22 1856. House of Correction

Agreeably to the order of August 25th last, the Superintendent of Public Buildings reported to the Board, that the following were the locations and rents allowed by the city, for the Armories occupied by the several companies of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia in this city - viz: | Armories

Companies.	Commanders	Location	Rent
Boston Light Artillery	M. G. Lee	Endicott Building	600
	1st Bat of Light Dragoons		
Company A.	C. A. Kimball	Quincy Hall	300
Company B.	J. H. Wright	21 Bromfield Street	300
	1st Regiment of Infantry.		
Company A.	C. C. Rogers	Eliot Street	300
Company B.	J. C. Henshaw	cor. Washington & Summer	300
Company C.	Joshua Jenkins	Broadway	300
Company D.	D. H. Follett	305 Washington	300
Company E.	J. F. Shepard	3 Winter	300
Company F.	H. A. Snow	cor. Union & Hanover	300
Company G.	George Clark, 2d	Quincy Hall	300
Company H.	George West.	27 Eliot Street	300
	2d Regiment of Infantry		
Company A.	J. H. Evans	Bumstead Court	300
Company B.	S. H. Turner	Ritchie Hall, c. b.	300
Company C.	J. B. Wharf	180 Harrison Avenue	300
Company E.	Porter D. Tripp	194 Hanover Street	300
Company F.	Augustine Harlow	cor. Portland & Traverse Sts.	300

478 | Independent Cadets. T. C. Amory. 914 Tremont Street ____ 300

Sept. 22. 1856. | Read and placed on file.

Davis. Perry Street. | On petition of Joseph Davis and others that the grade of Perry Street may be altered, the Committee on Paving reported that no further action is necessary as the subject has been disposed of in an order which has already passed the Board. Read and accepted.

Hanwood Friend Street. | On petition of Samuel Hanwood that new Friend Street may be graded and finished in a suitable manner, the Committee on Paving reported that no immediate action is required on their part in addition to said Street. Read and accepted.

Cooper Ninth Street. | On petition of Samuel Cooper to be paid for alleged damages sustained by the grade of Ninth Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Chamberlain Ballou. | On petition of N. G. Chamberlain for leave to erect and run a Steam Engine at 28 Washington Street; & M. M. Ballou for leave to erect and run a Steam Engine at 22 Winter Street; the Committee on Steam Engines &c. reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Monaghan | Leave was granted to John Monaghan to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Theatre, Sept. 29th on payment of the sum of eighteen dollars and also the expense of four Police Officers.

Auctioneer | L. S. Seafield was licensed as an Auctioneer of this City at 5, State Street

Leave was granted to John P. Ordway to give a Musical Exhibition at Ordway Hall on the usual conditions. 1779. Sep. 23. 1850. Ordway

On motion of Alderman Dingley, the order passed by the Board at their last meeting to pay Fireman No. four hundred and eighty eight dollars, was reconsidered, and it was thereupon laid upon the table. Fireman.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Harrison Avenue from Vernon to Decatur Streets, said subject was referred to the committee on Sewers with full power. Harrison Avenue

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Gold Street, said subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Gold Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Silver Street, the subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full power. Silver Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Summer Street by taking land of Sarah Ellis, said subject was recommitted to the committee on Streets with like power. Ellis Summer Street

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Monmouth and White Streets at their junction, or to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of said Streets at the same place in order to change the boundary line of the lot of N. N. Stevens, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. Monmouth White Streets

Feb. 22. 1856. Ferrell Stead.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repair Ferrell Stead from Causeway to Green Stead, and make such changes in the grade of said Stead as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Stead as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Stead which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 23. 1856.

Ferrell Stead.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the Roadway between the Canal Bridge so called and the present termination of Ferrell Stead, and make such changes in the grade of said Stead as he shall deem necessary and remove all such projections on the line of said Stead as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Stead which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Provided, that before said work is commenced the Hancock Free Bridge Corporation give the City of Boston a deed of the same, and furnish a sufficient bulkhead to support the roadway side thereof. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 23d 1856

Ferrell Stead.

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abuttors on Ferrell Stead, from Brighton Stead to the Bridge, to lay their Sidewalks with Brick within seven days.

Colling Stead.

Ordered, That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the abuttors on Colling from Ferrell to White Heads, to lay their Sidewalks with brick within seven days.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Commercial Street from Cross Street to the Eastern Packet Pier, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sept 23d 1856. 181. Sept. 22. 1856. Commercial Street.

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Richmond Street from Commercial to Fulton Streets, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 23. 1856. Richmond Street

Ordered: That His Honor the Mayor be requested to apply to His Excellency the Governor for the appointment of one person from among the citizens of this City to hear and determine any applications which may be made for commitments to the State Industrial School for Girls in accordance with the ninth section of "An Act to establish a State Reform School for Girls." Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor September 23d 1856. Reform School for Girls.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in rear of No 10 Hawkins Street caused by water in cellar on said premises, belonging to Mr. George Bancroft, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause Hawkins Street

1422. Sept 22. 1830. said nuisance to be abated by draining said cellar at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Stanhope Place. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Stanhope Place caused by offal, dirt and filth on said premises, belonging to Samuel Boyer, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing said offal, dirt and filth at the expense of said party, who having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

West Centre Street. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists at No 3 West Centre Street caused by an overflowing vault on said premises, belonging to the John Robertson which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vault to be emptied at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Warrants for Ward meetings. The City Clerk having stated to the Board that it is expedient to fill the vacancies of Clerk and Inspector in Ward 1, and of Clerk in Ward 7. it was Ordered: That Warrants be issued for the meeting of the legal voters of Ward One in their Ward room on Wednesday October first at twelve o'clock M. for the election of a Clerk of said Ward vice W. T. Horner, deceased and for an Inspector of said Ward vice C. B. W. Kettleman, resigned. Also, for a meeting of the voters of Ward Seven at their ward room at the same hour for the election of a Clerk of said Ward vice James C. Hinsdale, resigned. The polls to be kept open until four o'clock. PM.

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be authorized to expend the sum of one hundred and sixty two dollars upon the road of Nathaniel Bridgeid on N. Road provided, that said Nathaniel Bridgeid will having proved his title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, give to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of the change of grade of N. and Third Streets Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 23d 1856.

1853. Sep. 23. 1856. Bridgeid.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board authorizing the Mayor to discharge the mortgage of William Williams to the City of Boston was read a second time and passed

Mortgage discharged

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Sister Street by taking land of W. B. Spooner were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sept. 23. 1856

Spooner Sister Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Summer Street by taking land from the Trustees and Estate of Trinity Church were read a second time and passed Approved by the Mayor, Sept. 23. 1856.

Summer Street Trinity Church.

Petition of W. B. Spooner to be paid for land taken to widen Sister Street, was referred to the Committee on Streets.

Spooner

On petition of C. C. Conley. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade First Street at its junction with T. Street. Read once.

Conley First Street.

Adjourned to Wednesday next, at 12 o'clock, M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the twenty fourth day of September, Anno Domini, 1836

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Appleton — Petition of J. W. Appleton and others for use of Faneuil Hall, Sep. 3. 1836. for a political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall.

Hobbs, West Springfield Shed. — Petition of Hobbs and Prescott and others, that West Springfield Shed may be renumbered. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Wiglen, New Road. — Petition of John Wiglen and others that "New Road" at east Boston may be accepted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Middlesex Rail Road. — Notice from the Middlesex Rail Road Company of their intention to lay down rails on the route of their location in this City, was read and referred to the Committee on Paving.

Wilder — Petition of Thaw Inn Wilder to be paid for damages sustained by the change of grade in Albany

Street near the Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | 485.

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Petition of Middlesex Rail Road Middlesex
Company for the extension of their track Eastern from Bay marked Rail Road
Square to Battle Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

On motion of Alderman Plummer Hobart
the Board under an unanimous suspension of the rules reconsidered Court Mead.
the vote whereby the petition of Aaron Hobart and others for the improvement of the Entrance of Court Mead was on the twenty eighth day of August last referred to the Joint Special Committee on Back Bay Lands and thereupon on motion of the same gentleman the petition was referred to the Committee on Sewers and Drains.

Ordered: That the Middlesex Rail Middlesex
Road Company be authorized to lay down in the Road in which they Rail Road.
are authorized to put down their track, the rail now being laid down by the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company, instead of the rail authorized to be laid down in the order which passed the Board of Aldermen Sept. 17th 1855 for locating said Middlesex Rail Road in the City of Boston. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 29. 1856.

The order submitted at the last First
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Roads to grade First Street. Street at its junction with J Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Sep. 27. 1856.

The committee to whom was re- North
ferred the alteration and widening of the North Free Bridge, reading Free Bridge.
from Federal Street to Dorchester Avenue, having in the progress of their

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undertaking, arrived at that point which enables them to judge more accurately of what is necessary to be done at the present time, than when they reported their former reports, would respectfully represent, that they not been entirely competent to discharge the duty intrusted to them within the means appropriated therefor, and when they reflect on the condition of the bridge as it will be and has been since it was first accepted by the City, with its piers from eighteen to twenty two feet apart and now with many of the top timbers partly decayed, with an amount of travel over it second to none entering our City, and that the weight of loads drawn by many of the teams passing over it, probably exceeds the weight of any teams passing over any other bridge in this vicinity; we are unanimously of opinion, that the present time is the best suited to make the bridge what it should be by driving a row of piles between every two now driven, to cut down the present piers about two feet so that the very highest tides may cover them; to re-cap with sound pine timber and cover the bridge with eight inch timber, then cover the same with marsh or dock mud, then gravel and pave with cobble stone, the estimated cost of which is Fifteen thousand dollars in addition to Fifteen thousand dollars already appropriated by this Board. It must be obvious to this Board that if the work is to be done this season, there is no time to be lost, for the days are now growing which must complete the additional structure and cold weather is fast approaching; yet there is time enough between this and the first of January if acted on at this time. Your Committee would further remark that it is not an absolute necessity at the present time but a question of expediency, for that portion of the bridge which receives no benefit from the present contemplated repairs will probably last from three to four years, when the City will be called to do it. But it must then be done

at an increased expense of some thousands of dollars and some months additional delay of time, which to the travelling public is the most vexatious. Per the Committee Eben Jackson. Read and accepted. 187 Sep. 24. 1856.

Ordered: That, in addition to the sums heretofore authorized by this Board (to wit, on the 25th of July, and the 18th of August last) to be expended for repairs and alterations of the North Free Bridge, the Committee on Bridges be and they hereby are authorized to expend the sum of fifteen thousand dollars if so much shall prove necessary, in order to secure the repairs contemplated by the Committee on Bridges in their report submitted to this Board this day. Read twice and passed. Yeas Aldermen Quincy, Green, Coolman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Rich, Torrey, and Wightman. 9. Nays, Aldermen Brewster and Bonney. 2. Absent, Alderman Plummer. Approved by the Mayor, Sep. 30. 1856. North Free Bridge.

Resolved: That, in the opinion of the Board the number of Constables to be appointed for the year ensuing should not exceed sixty. Constables.

Pursuant to the foregoing resolve His Honor the Mayor nominated to the Board as Constables for the year 1856-57. Moses Bass, William H. Brown, William Calder, Silas Carleton, Edward D. Carpenter, Jonathan Clapp, Rufus R. Cook, Isaac N. Coolidge, Daniel B. Curtis, James Curtis, Alfred G. Davis, Charles N. Dennis, Ephraim Eliot, Eben F. Gay, Wade H. Goodwin, John C. Harrington, Jeremiah Holmes, Alexander Hopkins, Luther Hutchins, Frederick P. Ingalls, Edward T. Jones, Robert E. Keith, John T. Lawton, John C. Leighton, William H. Mason, Marum Merrill, Thomas J. Mignet, William Munroe, Henry Nichols, John C. Pallee, David Patterson, Nathaniel A. Pennock, John L. Philbrick, George L. Phillips, James Pierce, Isaac Pierce, Constables.

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Lee, Hall, William H. Read, Edwin Rice, Thomas M. Smith, Charles Smith, James C. Spear, Elijah K. Spear, Oliver H. Spear, Henry C. Shedden, Henry Taylor, John G. N. Taylor, Isaac C. Tolland, George W. Tuckerman, Samuel J. Tuttle, William Whitwell, John Wilson. Which nominations were confirmed by the Board.

Albany Road Bridge.

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be authorized and fully empowered to adjust and settle all damages occasioned by the change of grade in Albany Road &c: in consequence of the building of the Bridge over the Boston and Worcester Railroad on said Road. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty ninth day of September, Anno Domini 1850

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen, except Aldermen Livermore and Codman.

Jurors

Thirty six Jurors were drawn for the Municipal Court.

Petition of Francis Bacon and 180.
one Hundred others for the use of Faneuil Hall, October 2d for a Sep 29. 1856.
political meeting. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. Bacon

Petition of Company E. Second Company E.
Regiment of Infantry for the approval of their new Armory at armory.
No 194 Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Petition of D. S. Gilchrist that he Gilchrist.
may be allowed to prepare the index to the Deeds registered in 1855 Indices.
in print. Referred to the Committee on County Accounts.

Petition of William Mc Kay and Mc Kay.
others that Monmouth Street be graded this year;—remonstrance of Simmons.
George A. Simmons against raising the grade of Pembroke Street.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Ezra N. Baker that Baker.
Athens Street may be closed as heretofore between C. and K. Streets. Re-
ferred to the Committee on Paving.

Complaint of John Kenney & others Kenney
against the manner of building the Dorchester Avenue Rail Dor. Av. R.R.
Road in Dorchester Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Remonstrance of Charles Brooks & Co Brooks
and others against granting the prayer of the petition of Theodore Mitchell
Mitchell for the erection of Bowling Alleys in rear of 674 Washing-
ton Street. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

1490 Petition of Engine Company
Sep 29. 1856 No 4 for leave to take their Engine to New York and Philadelphia
received & read in Others read. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Brown. Petition of Thomas Brown for a
license as an Auctioneer of this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses

Prince. Petition of N. Prince to be paid
for damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street. Re
ferred to the Committee on Streets.

Mc Mahon Petition of J. B. Mc Mahon & others
Meen Street that Meen Street may be widened. Referred to the Committee on
Streets.

Whitmore Petition of Charles C. Whitmore and
London & ano. others, Assignees of the London Rolling Mills for an abatement of taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent
down for concurrence. October 9. Came up concurred.

Mc Cormick On petition of James Mc Cormick
for leave to keep an Intelligence Office in Albany Street the Com
mittee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Constables On nomination by the Mayor
David M. R. Dow, George B. Yeates Samuel Clark, William Brasden,
Charles H. Moore were appointed Constables of this City.

Police On nomination by the Mayor,
John M. Hays and Edward J. Thompson were appointed Police
Officers of this city.

On nomination by the Mayor Isaac Worsley, Asses of the Fifth ward, and L. F. Tilden and J. W. Pierlice were appointed Special Police Officers, for duty at Gunard Wharf. | 1491. Sept. 29. 1856. Special Police.

Whereas, it is understood that the President of the United States will pass through this Commonwealth during the present week on a visit to his native State, and whereas the City of Boston has heretofore shown her regard for the high and dignified office of the Chief Magistrate of the Nation, by extending her hospitalities to every President who has visited this State, therefore, Resolved: that His Honor the Mayor, in behalf of the City Council, be requested to extend an invitation to the President of the United States to visit this City, before his return to Washington and accept of its hospitalities. Passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 1. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 1. 1856. | President of the United States.

Ordered: That Aldermen Sulivan, Wightman and Cheever with such as the Common Council may join, be a Committee, with full powers, to make such arrangements in regard to the proposed visit of the President of the United States to this City. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Octo ber 1st Came up concurred, and the President of the Common Council, Messrs Parker, Washburn, Frost, McGilvray, Jenkins, Pond and Tuckman were joined. Approved by the Mayor, Octo 1st 1856. | President of the United States Committee of arrangements.

The order, submitted at the last meeting of the Board, to the Committee on Paving to adjust and settle all damages occasioned by the change of grade in Havre Street, in consequence of the construction of a Bridge over the Boston & Maine | Havre Street Bridge

192. Read. was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor.
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Brewster Square Church

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets, be and they hereby are authorized to place upon the new line of the Street, the iron fence in front of the Brewster Square Church, the Proprietors thereof assenting) if in their judgement the public interest will be promoted thereby, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. October 1. 1856.

Marion Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters and furnish edgestones in Marion Street between Fenton and Pennington Street, and gravel the same, the abutters thereon having agreed in their petition to pay for the edgestone. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 1. 1856.

Monmouth & White Streets.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Monmouth and White Streets should be widened at their junction and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to H. A. Stevens bounded as follows. viz. Westwardly by the proposed new line of Street at the junction of Monmouth and White Streets, there measuring twenty four feet and 38/100; Northwardly by the present line of the same, twenty feet and 7/100; and Southwardly by the present line of Monmouth Street, eleven feet and 100; containing one hundred and nineteen square feet and a more or less. The said parcel of land being shown in red on a plan heretofore issued. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the

purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is 1/4/5
therefore Ordered. That the parcel of land before described be and the 4 p. 24. 1856
same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City engineer, dated September 24th 1850, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Monmouth and White Roads as aforesaid, will amount to nothing: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Road, during the present municipal year does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed.

Resolved, That the safety and Monmouth
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion & White Roads
of Monmouth and White Roads at their junction should be discontinued as a public Road or way of the said City, bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the proposed new line of Road at the junction of Monmouth and White Roads, there measuring twenty one feet and 7/100; Southwestwardly by the present line of the same, twenty four feet and 5/100, and Northwardly by the southerly line of White Road extended, eleven feet and 100: containing one hundred and nineteen square feet and 10, more or less. The said parcel of land being shown in blue on a plan herewith referred to. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Monmouth and White Roads, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered. That the portion of the said Roads before described be, and the same hereby is discontinued as a public Road or way of the said City according to a plan of the same made by James Slade

1914. City Engineer, dated September 29th 1856. and deposited in the office
Sp. 29. 1856. of the said Board of Aldermen. Read twice and passed.

Washington Head Everhart Huckerman.

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be and they hereby are authorized to remove and place upon the new line of the Head the front walls of buildings on Washington Head, belonging to the heirs of Edward Huckerman, deceased. they consenting thereto if in the judgement of the Committee the public interest will be promoted thereby, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 1. 1856.

Beal.

Ordered: That there be paid to Henry Beal the sum of Eight thousand dollars for land taken to extend Friend Head, July 26th 1855 upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Head. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 1. 1856.

Minot

Ordered: That there be paid to William Minot as the Trustee of Elizabeth B. Schmidt, Daniel L. Slade, Henry Schmidt, and said Elizabeth B. Schmidt, his wife, in her own right ten thousand dollars, for land taken to extend Friend Head, July 26th 1855. upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Head. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 1. 1856.

Resolved: That the Committee of 1795.
Arrangements expres the thanks of the City Council to Jon. Ward & Wm. Leigh, Esq.rs for their elegant historical address on the occasion of the inauguration of the Statue of Benjamin Franklin on the seventeenth instant, and request copies of the same for publication. Resolved: That the thanks of the City Government be presented to Thos. Paid, Esq. for his appropriate and highly acceptable ode, and to the Reverend Gentlemen who officiated at the ceremony of the inauguration. Resolved: That the thanks of the City Government be presented to the Chief Marshal Col. Lewis S. Thompson, his Aids and Assistant Marshals, for the able and efficient manner in which their duties were performed on the seventeenth instant. Resolved: That the thanks of the City Government be tendered to Gen.l Samuel Hendrews, the officers and soldiers composing the First Brigade, First Division of Massachusetts Volunteer Militia and to the Ancient and Honorable Artillery Company, for the gallanting manner in which the several duty was performed on the occasion of the Inauguration of the Statue of Benjamin Franklin: Resolved: That the thanks of the City Government be presented to the representatives of the Mechanical Trades of Boston, to the Artizans, Manufacturers and Traders, to the Masonic Fraternity, to the Medical Societies, to the several Scientific Philanthropic and Literary Associations, to the Fire Department, and to Mr. Francis Fuller and the pupils of the Public Schools, to whom the City Government are so much indebted for their aid in doing honor on the seventeenth instant to the memory of Franklin, in the City of his birth. Resolved: That the Committee of Arrangements in conjunction with the Committee on the Franklin Statue be requested to prepare a historical statement of the proceedings connected with the erection of that Statue, and to cause such number of copies

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196. to be printed as they may deem expedient. Read twice and passed
Sept 29. 1856. unanimously. Sent down for concurrence. Oct^y. 6. Come up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor. Octr 13. 1856.

Humphrey Place. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Humphrey Place caused by vaults unlawfully constructed on said premises, belonging to Sargent, Lovejoy and Logan which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vault to be cleansed, and removing the same by filling in with dirt or gravel, at the expense of said parties who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Bolton Place. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Bolton Place caused by an obstructed drain, vault full and filth on premises belonging to Neal Gannett, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by clearing said drain of all obstructions and entering the vault to cleaning and removing filth from premises, at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Southac Street Place. Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Southac Street Place caused by vaults overflowing; water in cellar and filth on premises belonging to Hiram Wellington, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by cleansing said vaults to be emptied, and draining cellar, removing filth &c at the

expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance. Ag;

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The Bonds of Moses Bass, William Calder, Eli Camden, Douglas Cipp, Isaac N. Coolidge, Albert G. Davis, Edwin F. Gay, Nehemiah Hopkins, John C. Harrington, Zaccheus Holmes, Luther Hutchins, Frederick L. Ingalls, Edward J. Jones, Wm F. Lawton, John C. Leighton, William R. Mason, Hiram Merrill, William Minor, Henry Nichols, David Patterson, N. A. Pennock, George L. Phillips, Isaac Pierce, Calvin Rice, James Rice, Moses Smith, Thomas M. Smith, James C. Span, Elijah L. Span, Oliver N. Span, Henry Taylor, Samuel J. Vain, Silas Wilson, who were appointed Constables, were approved by the Board. Constables Bonds approved.

Ordered, That there be paid to Asher Hobart junior the sum of Five Hundred dollars for damages occasioned by widening Federal Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said widening; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once. Hobart.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'clock, P.M.

1848 At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the 16th
day of October Anno Domini 1848.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Jurors. Four Grand and five Petit
Jurors drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

Piper Petition of Solomon Piper and
others that a nuisance caused by surface water in Essex Street
Place may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Music Hall Petition of the Proprietors of the
Music Hall for leave to give Concerts during the present season. Referred
to the Committee on Licenses.

Whitney Petition of Joseph Whitney and others
Metropolitan Rail Road that the Board would rescind so much of the location of the Me-
tropolitan Rail Road in Fremont Street as provides for more than
a single track in said street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Tufts Complaint of E. T. Tufts against
vs. Leander Read. the present unsafe condition of the west Leander Read sidewalks.
Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Spinwall Petition of Samuel Spinwall
and others that Sheafe Street may be repaired. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Paving.

Russell Petition of Elijah Russell to be paid
Petit. for damage sustained by change of grade in Albany Street at the
East Road Bridge, & Jarman Petit to be paid for damage sustained

by change of grade in Marginal Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Ryg. | Oct 6. 1856.

Petition of Robert Cowdin for leave to move a wooden building from Albany Road to Bay Road. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power. | Cowdin

Petition of Isaac W. How and others that Old Harbor Road be lighted with Gas—& R.R. Hose that Howard Avenue between Chester and Concord Streets be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. | How & Others.

Petition of William H. Bancroft and others that Noyes Place be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. | Bancroft.

On nomination by the Mayor, Henry Hayden was appointed Superintendent of Summit Hall. | Summit Hall Supt.

On nomination by the Mayor, George K. Curtis was appointed a Special Police Officer for the aid and assistance of the Alien Passenger Commissioner. | Special Police

The Bonds of Henry Hall, Wood & Keith, J. G. N. Taylor, Wade H. Goodwin, John C. Fuller, William Hinds, Daniel B. Curtis, Jacob C. Hallett, Henry C. Mullen, James Curtis, Seward Mack, William Whitwell, George B. Porter, William H. Ward, William H. Brown, George H. Fuckerman, Charles H. Dennis, Ephraim H. Ward, who have been appointed Constables were approved by the Board. | Constables Bonds.

The Metropolitan Rail Road Company gave notice to the Board that so much of their track as lies | Metropolitan Rail Road

300 between Cranberry Lane and Boylston Street, was opened for public
Sept 6. 1856. use on the 4th day of September last. Read and placed on file.

Streets Superintendent — The Superintendent of Streets presented to the Board his report of receipts and expenditures in this Department for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1856. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Chief of Police — The Chief of Police presented to the Board his report for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1856. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Health Supt. report — The Superintendent of Health presented to the Board his report for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1856. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Ballast Inspectors — Robert Keith and John Davis presented to the Board their reports for the inspection of Ballast for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1856. Read and laid on the table.

Ballast Inspectors — Henry Curtis and Abijah R. Hawks having submitted to the Board their reports on the amount of Ballast inspected by them for the quarter ending Sept. 30. 1856. from which it appearing to the Board that errors existed therein it was ordered that said reports be returned to the makers thereof for amendment.

Lands — The Superintendent of Public Lands submitted to the Board his report of sales of the Public Lands from April 1st to October 1st 1856. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The several officers who have the care and charge of Truant Children and Absentees from School, submitted to the Board their quarterly reports on that subject. Read and placed on file. | 501. Oct. 6. 1856 Truant Officers.

Agreeably to the nomination of Hook and Ladder Company No 2, and with the advice of the Board of Engineers Benjamin C. Faire was appointed Clerk of said Company. | Fire Dep't

On the complaint of John Kenney and others against the manner of building the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road, the Committee on Paving reported that inasmuch as the evil complained of has been removed, no action is necessary on their part. Read and accepted. | Kenney. Dor. Ave. R. R.

On the remonstrance of George A. Simmons against raising the grade of Pembroke Street, the Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessary on their part. Read and accepted. | Simmons. Pembroke Street.

On petition of Engine Company No 4 for leave to take their Engine to New York and Philadelphia in October instant, the Committee on the Fire Department reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | Engine Co. No 4.

Thomas Hussey was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at No 5. Faris Street, East Boston. | Auctioneer

Faire was granted to Edmund E. Price to give a Sparring Exhibition at the National Varieties Oct 16th on payment of the expense of four Police Officers and twenty dollars for the License. | Price.

Cd. 6. 1856. Appleton, Bacon, Faneuil Hall.

Agreeably to the reports of the Committee on Faneuil Hall, the use of said Hall was granted to Francis Bacon and others October 6. 1856. and to J. W. Appleton and others, November 3d 1856. for the purpose of holding therein political meetings.

Mc Mahon, Union Street.

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred the petitions of J. b. Mc Mahon and others that Union Street may be widened, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Company E.

The Committee on Armories, to whom was referred the petition of Company E. 2d Infantry, for the approval of their new Armory at 194 Hanover Street, reported in favor of the approval of the same. Read and accepted.

Prince.

On petition of N. Prince to be paid for damages sustained by reason of the widening of Washington Street opposite the Old South the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Homer Granite Street.

Whereas in the opinion of this Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Granite Street should be extended to Second Street, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to Peter L. Homer that this Board intend to extend the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of his land and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the thirteenth day of October instant at four o'Clock. P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Chauncy Street

Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave Chauncy Street from Summer Street to Bedford Street with Nicolson pavement, and to make such chang

is in the grade of said Road as he shall deem necessary, and re- | 30.
move all such projections in the line of said Road as he shall deem | Oct. 6. 1856.
dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Road which are not
cared in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Provided the cost
of the same shall not exceed two dollars per square rod. Read twice and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7. 1856.

Whereas the several Lessees of | Faneuil Hall
the Stores and Cellars under Faneuil Hall were notified to surrender | Stores.
the City the possession of said Stores and cellars, on the first day of Oc-
tober current; and whereas the City is now entitled to enter the said
Stores and Cellars and to take possession thereof, and it ought so to do;
therefore Ordered, That the Chief of Police enter the said several Stores
and Cellars and take possession thereof, and remove therefrom all goods
and property and effects which he shall find therein. Read twice and
passed. Submitted to the Mayor for approval October 8. 1856.

Whereas in the opinion of the | Washington
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that | Street.
Washington Road should be widened by taking part of the estate | Redman
of the late John Redman; it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due
notice be given to James Shearer, George N. Kuhn, and Thomas J. God-
dard, as Trustees, that this Board intend to widen the Road before men-
tioned, by taking a part of the land as aforesaid, and laying out
the same as a public Street and that Monday, the thirteenth day of
October next, at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing
any objections which may be made thereto.

Ordered: That in addition | Marion
to the order passed July 21. 1856 the Superintendent of Roads be author- | Street.
ized to pave Marion Road between Maverick and Chuch Roads. Read

lurice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Octobr 7. 1856.

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Sappan

Ordered: That there be paid to the Appraisers Trustees of Keith the sum of twenty five dollars for land taken to extend Friend Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read lurice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Octobr 7. 1856.

Hayden

Ordered, That there be paid to Michael Hayden the sum of seven hundred dollars for damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read lurice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Oct. 7. 1856.

Voters notice to

Ordered: That notice be given that the Voting Lists for the several Wards of the City of Boston are now completed and that copies of them may be seen at the room of the Board of Aldermen - at the Office of the Assessors, City Hall - and one copy at or near the place of voting in each ward - and requesting all legal voters of the City to see that their names are properly registered, as such, and calling particularly upon the following persons to see if their names are correctly inserted, viz: Persons taxed in other Wards than those in which they resided in May last: Persons taxed without their given names: Persons who have paid a tax, assessed upon them in the Commonwealth, and who have been inhabitants of this City since the first of May last: Persons inhabitants of this City

who have received no tax bills for 1856. Unqualified Citizens: Those who have reached their majority since the first of May last. Those persons who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years have no right to vote. The Board of Aldermen will be in session every day until the third day of November next inclusive, for the purpose of inserting the names of all legal voters, which through accident or mistake, may have been omitted. All persons who wish to have their names corrected or inserted must bring their tax bills with them. | Sub. Oct. 6. 1856.

Ordered: That a message be sent to the Common Council proposing a Convention of both Boards of the City Council on Thursday evening next at eight o'clock for the purpose of determining the number of Representatives which it is expedient to send to the next General Court of this Commonwealth. | Convention proposed.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Eliot Hotel, the sum of six hundred dollars on account of the widening of Federal Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 7. 1856. | Hotel

Ordered: That the following bills, the payment of which without the consent of the City Council is prohibited by Ordinance, be allowed and paid provided they are approved and audited in the usual manner, viz: Joseph West 2d vs. Fire Wrecker 7. 19. Mark Googins vs. Engine Houses 12.29 Mark Googins vs. Italian House 7. Dec. 75 A.J. Foss vs. Fire Department, 9.75 A.J. Foss vs. Fire Department 11.22. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 8. 1856. | City Council vs.

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Station House District No 5.

Ordered: That the Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings be authorized to repair, extend or rebuild the Station House for District No 5. now, if in their judgement it be expedient, to purchase a suitable lot for the purpose and to build such a Station House thereupon as the wants of the service may require, provided the expense thereof does not exceed the sum of eight thousand dollars, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the Reserved Fund. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 9. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Sign Board.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists at No 20. High Road caused by an obstructed drain and dirt and filth on said premises belonging to John L. Farlow, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all dirt and filth and cleaning said drain at the expense of said party, who, having been duly notified, has neglected to abate said nuisance.

Engines not to be taken from the City.

Alderman Bonney submitted to the Board the following Preamble and Resolve. Whereas one of the engine companies of the City during the past week made an excursion to Lowell, taking their engine with them, under the impression that by the 25th Section of the Fire Ordinance they had a right so to take their engine, and whereas said excursion was made with the knowledge of the committee on the Fire Department and the Engineers of said Department, under the impression that said 25th Section gave the company the right, and whereas application has been made by another engine Company to take their engine to Philadelphia, when permission has been refused, but no particular reason has been assigned for

such refusal, Therefore Resolved as the opinion of this Board, that 307.
there is no authority vested in the Board of the Board of Engineers Oct 6 1856
to give leave for such taking, or for any workmen to take that en-
gine out of the City, except to extinguish a fire under the direction
of an Engineer of the Fire Department agreeably to the first part of
said 25th Section. Read and referred to the Committee on the Fire
Department.

Ordered: That there be paid to Wm Spooner
Wm B. Spooner the sum of Four thousand and ninety per dollars per
land taken to widen Stoke Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the
same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and
expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to
the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once

Ordered: That there be paid to Charles
John N. Hughes the sum of Four hundred and fifty dollars for land taken
on to widen Washington Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for
the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read
once.

Ordered: That there be paid to Sam Thatcher
uel Whitwell the sum of Twenty six dollars for land taken to widen
said Street, the same being in addition to an order which passed on the
fourth of August last past upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same,
and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once

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Williamson.

Ordered: That there be paid to Orin Williamson, junior the sum of Forty eight dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street, the same being additional to an order for one hundred and twenty dollars which passed on the fourth of August last past upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, cost and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Hovey & Ryder.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to pay Messrs Hovey and Ryder the sum of Thirty six dollars and fourteen cents, it being for error in measurement of lot No 1. Union Park sold by the City May 1st 1852. and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Public Grounds. Read once.

Plumley

Ordered: That there be paid to Mary Plumley the sum of One Hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of the grade of Eulaw Street upon her proving her title to said estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon her giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Ninth Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Ninth Street from M. to K. Street. Read once.

Bradford Street.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in Bradford Street and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are

not occured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. The abutters 509.
thereon having agreed to claim no damage in consequence of the regula- Vol. 0. 1850.
tion of the grade of said Bradford Street. Read once.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Change
of Sheds be authorized to repair a portion of Change Avenue with brick. Avenue.
Ordered: That the order passed October 4th 1852. in relation to the paving
said Avenue with granite be and the same hereby is rescinded. Read
once.

Ordered: That the City Solicitor, Summer
A in consultation with the Committee on Paving &c., be instructed to take Street
such legal measures, as shall be deemed most expedient, to prevent any en-
croachment on the rights of the City of Boston in the Dock at the foot of
Summer Street. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eight O'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Ninth day of October, Anno Domini, 1856

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Quincy & Shurtleff.

Convention

The Common Council having concurred in the proposition of this branch to form a Convention this evening for the purpose of determining the number of Representatives which it is expedient to send to the next General Court, the two branches assembled

In Convention,

Representatives number determined.

Whereupon Mr Richards of Ward 10. offered the following Resolve viz: Resolved by the Mayor, Aldermen and Common Council in Convention assembled, that it is expedient for the City to send Forty four Representatives to the next General Court of this Commonwealth. Read and adopted and the City Clerk was directed to publish said determination.

The business of the Convention having been accomplished the two branches separated, and the Board of Aldermen having returned to their room the following papers were acted upon.

Granite,

Petition of Francis Donnelly for leave to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Theatre October 20. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Paving.

Petition of J. F. Reston and others for leave to grand trees in the Sidewalk at No 150. Washington Street and that vicinity. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Communication of Faneuil Hall Committee against the closing of the Gateway to the Hall 1851 1853 Broad Street. referred to the Committee on Paving.

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The Superintendent of Sewers submitted to the Board schedules & plans for construction of Sewers in Commercial Street; Hanover Street between Battle and Fulton Streets; Custom House and India Street and in Fulton Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Commercial, Hanover, Fulton, Custom House & India Streets Fulton St.

His Honor the Mayor returned to the Board the order of October 6. requiring the Chief of Police to eject the present tenants from Faneuil Hall, with his objections to the passage of said order, as follows:- To the Board of Aldermen, Gentlemen. I return with the following remarks and objections to the Board of Aldermen in which it originated the order of Oct. 6. 1850, directing the Chief of Police to enter the stores and cellars under Faneuil Hall and to remove therefrom all persons and property and effects which he shall find therein". The City of Boston having leased to the persons alluded to, or to those whom the occupants represent, the premises under Faneuil Hall, and having received rent therefor, placed the tenants in legal possession of the same. Among the conditions of the leases is the stipulation that the lessees should vacate upon receiving from the City six months notice of its desire to use the premises for other purposes; and also the stipulation that the Mayor and Aldermen might enter and take possession at the expiration of the term of notice &c. In pursuance of an order passed by the Board of Aldermen March 31st 1850 notice was served upon the lessees to vacate the premises on the first of October current; and the term of notice having expired, and the lessees having declined to remove, the order now under consideration, and which contemplates

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512. forcible ejectment was passed. Inasmuch as the duty to be performed
Oct. 9. 1856. under the order does not lie within the sphere of those appertaining
to the office of Chief of Police, and as the Mayor and Aldermen are
alone authorized to take possession, the Chief of Police can only act there
in as their Agent or factor; and as this is a case in which the Mayor
and Aldermen are simply the representatives of a corporation, in a
matter of business, they have no authority in the premises which is
not common to any other corporation or individual in similar
cases of litigation between landlord and tenant. They are, therefore,
liable to the same contingencies of legal process. The forcible removal
of property from buildings under circumstances like the present is an
arbitrary and summary proceeding to be resorted to only in cases of
peculiar and extreme necessity; and if it be admitted that the Mayor
and Aldermen may exercise it in this case yet it can only be done at
the hazard of liabilities and penalties of the gravest character. How-
ever desirable the change of use to which the premises may be appro-
priated; and however indefensible the refusal of the lessees to conform
to what are understood to be the conditions of their leases, yet they can
only assist to the extent which the law tolerates; and the public good
is not likely to be promoted by recourse to doubtful law or expediency to
secure its object. By the return of this order to the Board of Aldermen
and its subsequent rejection by them, the customary legal processes for
regaining possession of the premises in question will not be vitiated or
abridged; and especially the order of March 31st 1856 which directs "that
such legal action as may be necessary to eject said lessees from said
premises be taken, under the advice of the City Solicitor", will remain in
force. All respectfully, Alexander H. Rice, Mayor. Read, and the question
being on the passage of said order (as recorded page 505) the Mayor's
objections thereto to the contrary notwithstanding, the subject was laid on the table.

Petition of the Trustees of the Sewers Fund for the use of some public room belonging to the city wherein to hold their evening school in Ward 1. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. | Sewers Fund. | Oct. 13. 1856

Petition of William H. Nelson that a new style of Ballot Box invented by him may be used at the ensuing elections. Referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. | Nelson Ballot Box.

On petition of William Parker, Ordered, That due notice be given that this Board will, on Monday October 20th at four o'Clock, P.M. take into consideration the expediency of constructing a common Sewer in Emerald Street and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may enter their particular Drains into such common Sewer, or who by any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby: Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be heard. | Parker Emerald Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Samuel Whitwell the sum of twenty five dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. October 13. 1856. | Whitwell.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay John Cotherman, forty eight dollars for land taken to widen Federal Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856. | Cotherman.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay William B. Spooner four hundred and ninety five $\frac{68}{100}$ dollars for land taken to widen Fister Street was read | Spooner.

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a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Plumley.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Mary Plumley one Hundred dollars for damages from change of grade in Auburn Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Hughes

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Jno A. Hughes four Hundred and fifty dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Change Avenue.

The orders submitted at the last meeting of the Board directing the Superintendent of Streets to ignore Change Avenue was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Bradford Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the gutters in Bradford Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Tenth Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to grade Tenth Street from M. to P. streets was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Summer Street dock.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board and recorded page 509. directing the City Solicitor to take such legal measures as he may deem expedient to preserve the rights of the City in the Summer Street dock, was read a second time and having been amended by striking out all the words from N. to E. was passed.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Isaac and Asher Ivory, sixty six dollars and fourteen cents, for care in completion of Division of Union Park, and by the city Aug 1st 1856, was taken from the table and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 10. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Octobr 13. 1856.

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Ivory & Ivory.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the request of the School Committee dated March 21st 1856. to have such alterations and repairs made in the Mather School House in the Lawrence District, as will adapt it to the use of Primary Schools, having considered the subject, report in favor of the measure and recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Geo. W. Torrey, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be, and they are hereby, authorized to alter and repair the Mather School House in accordance with a plan made by C. A. Tilton dated Oct 1st 1856. at an expense not exceeding Six thousand dollars to be charged to the appropriation for Primary School Houses. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 13. 1856.

Mather School House.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the thirteenth day of October, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Torrey.

Blanchard — Petition of Thomas Blanchard and others that the present system of drainage on Dover Street may be improved. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Smith — Petition of Stephen Smith and others for a common sewer in Dumbarton Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Abbott — Petition of John E. Abbott for a license as an Auctioneer. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Petition of P. F. Tracy and others that edgestones may be set and the gutters paved in Marion Street between Church Street & Thomas M. Pearson and others that South Cedar Street may be repaired from Church to Pleasant Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Pearson, Paving, Nelson, Faneuil Hall. — Petition of Merit Pearing and others, for the use of Faneuil Hall October 16th for a festival meeting, & William A. Krueger and others for its use on the 17th instant and of Nelson and others for its use on the 23d instant were severally referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Gleason — Petition of William H. Gleason and others that Gas Lamps be placed and lighted in Cross St. by the Gas Co. in Lamps.

Petition of Susan E. Low for relief | 517
ment of taxes for the years 1855 & 1856. Referred to the Committee on the | Oct 13 56
Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 16 Came up concurred. | Low

Petition of Litchfield Baker that | Baker.
the City would exchange deeds for bonds of land purchased by him on
Fremont Street, on certain conditions. Referred to the Committee on Pub
lic Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 16. Came up concurred.

Petition of William Neal to be paid | Neal
for damage sustained by one of his horses in Castle Street. Referred to
the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 16. Came up con
curred.

The Port Physician submitted to the | Port
Board his report for the quarter ending Sept. 30. Read and sent down. | Physician
In Common Council. Read and placed on file. | "

Petition of Hydrant Company No 1. | Hydrant Co
for leave to take their Hydrant Carriage to Salem, was read and there- | No 1.
upon it was voted that the petitioners have leave to withdraw.

Agreeably to the report of the Com | National
mittee on Licenses the license granted to Henry Willard to open the Na | Theatre.
tional Theatre as per vote of Aldermen dated was revoked and a
new license was granted to him to open said theatre provided no intoxi
cating or fermented liquors are sold within said Theatre. Said li
cense to be revoked on proof of the sale of intoxicating or fermented
liquor within said premises.

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Preston.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Paving leave was granted to P. Preston and others to plant trees in the sidewalk at 750 Washington Street and that vicinity.

Second Hand Articles.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, license to deal in Second Hand Articles were granted to Amos Russell, 13 Richmond Street - Josiah Whitten corner of Hills and Prince Streets - Robert Scott 619 Washington Street, and James Davis 217 Endicott Street, on the usual conditions.

Music Hall.

On petition of the Proprietors of the Music Hall for leave to give Concerts at said establishment from time to time, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Hebard & Mansfield

On petition of Hebard and Mansfield for leave to keep an Intelligence Office, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Badger

On the remonstrance of Daniel B. Badger against the closing of his cellar doorway to his estate at 151. 153 Broad Street without indemnity, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Donnelly

Leave was granted to Francis Donnelly to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Theatre Oct 20. on payment of twenty five dollars for the license and the expense of four police officers.

Riddle. Kentworth. Sudbury Street.

On petition of Edward Riddle and others, Hiram Kentworth and others, that Sudbury Street be widened on its westerly side, the Committee on Streets reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

On petition of Henry Tolman to be paid for damage sustained by the widening of Washington Street. the Committee on Streets reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | 519. Oct 15 1856. Tolman

On petition of Joseph Whitney and others that the Board would rescind so much of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road as provides for more than one track in Tremont Street. the Committee on Paving reported, that in the opinion of the City Solicitor the City has no power in the premises at the present time and that therefore no action is necessary on the subject. Read and accepted. | Whitney Metropolitan Rail Road

On petition of Matthew Binney that a highway be laid out through Sudbury Place. the Committee on Streets reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. | Binney Sudbury Place.

On nomination by the Mayor Edward S. Jackson was appointed a Police Officer for the present year. | Police.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Washington Street by taking land of the Est. John Redman, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | Redman Washington Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed extension of Granite Street by taking land of Peter T. Homer, said subject was recommitted to the committee on Streets with full power. | Homer Granite Street.

Petition of Andrew Nelson that the city would cause possession of certain lands on Clinton Street, that under contract with Mr. Fowler. Referred in common council to the committee on Streets and Lands same to concurrence. Read and concurred. | Nelson

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Constables

The Bonds of John H. Philbrick and Thomas L. Wigner who were appointed Constables of this City were approved by the Board.

Holbrook
East Street.

Whereas E. N. Holbrook has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on East Street, in the said City: and in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the said E. N. Holbrook that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the twentieth day of October instant at four o'clock P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Gardner
Ewers Street.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Ewers Street should be widened by taking land of Henry Gardner, it is therefore Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Henry Gardner that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned by taking a part of his land as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday, the twentieth day of October instant at four o'clock P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

White
Fair Grounds

Remonstrance of John White and two hundred and thirty seven others that the restrictions be removed from the Fair Grounds so called, came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file.

A communication from the Auditor stating the necessity of providing means to meet the expenditures on the North Free Bridge authorized by the Board of Aldermen accompanied by an order for the Treasurer to borrow Sixty six thousand dollars for that purpose, were referred in Common Council to the Committee on Finance, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. | Sec. 13, 36 North Free Bridge

The report of the City Physician for the quarter ending Sept. 30th came up from the Common Council. Read and placed on file. | City Physician.

On motion of Alderman Dingley the order to pay Hunneman & Co. Five Hundred and eighty six dollars (as recorded page 467) was taken from the table and was passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 14. 1856. | Hunneman

Resolved: That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Federal Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the South Cove Corporation bounded as follows, viz: Westwardly by the proposed line of widening of Federal Street, there measuring eighty five feet and 7/10; Northwardly by Lincoln Street, eight feet and 24/100; Eastwardly by the present line of Federal Street, eighty feet; and Southeastwardly by the Shatter line, nine feet and 41/100: containing six hundred and fifty nine square feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return to said warrant, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described | Federal Street. South Cove Corporation.

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be and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said city according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated October 13th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that expence of widening the said Street, as afore said, will amount to Thirteen hundred and eighteen dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. October 14. 1856.

Granite Street Extension.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Granite Street should be extended and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Peter T. Homer bounded as follows, viz: Northeasterly by First Street there measuring fifty feet; Southeasterly by land of the Vivir Locomotive Works, one hundred and eighty feet; Southwesterly by Second Street fifty feet; and Northwesterly by other land of the said Homer, one hundred and eighty feet: containing nine thousand square feet, more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said extension made by Jame Slade, City Engineer dated October 13th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expence of extending

the said Granite Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Four thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimated of former allowances & discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of Five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 14. 1856.

Summer Street. Ellis.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Summer Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to George C. Ellis bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Summer Street, One hundred forty five feet and $\frac{27}{100}$; Southeasterly by land of said Keefe, seventeen feet and $\frac{40}{100}$; Northeasterly by the present line of Summer Street, forty five feet and $\frac{17}{100}$; and Northwesterly by the same, six feet and $\frac{36}{100}$: containing Three hundred and eleven square feet and $\frac{7}{10}$, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated September 29th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Summer Street, as aforesaid will amount to nothing. The said widening of Street and taking of land being in accordance with an agreement made between the City and the abutters on said Street and recorded in City Records May 22d 1848. Vol. 26 page 220. Read twice and passed.

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Librarian

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Librarian for the Public Library for the present Municipal Year, it appeared that Edward Capen was chosen. Sent down for concurrence October 15 Came up concurred.

City Engineer

The ballots having been taken and counted for a City Engineer for the present Municipal Year, it appeared that James Hale was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. October 15. Came up concurred.

Water Registrar

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Water Registrar for the present Municipal Year, it appeared that William F. Davis was chosen. Sent down for concurrence. October 15. Came up concurred.

Faneuil Hall tenants.

On motion of Alderman Wightman, the Board resumed the consideration of the order authorizing the Chief of Police to eject the present tenants from the stores under Faneuil Hall, which order was returned to this Board by the Mayor with his objections to the same — and the question being on the passage of the order, the Mayor's objections to the same to be contrary notwithstanding, said order was rejected by the following vote — Yeas, Aldermen Gardner, Vincent, Eagley, Tuckerman, Kendall 5 — Nays, Aldermen Saunders, Bonney, Codman, Plummer, Rich, Wightman 6.

Prisons.

The Inspectors of Prisons submitted to the Board their semi annual report on the condition of the Gaols, &c. in the County of Suffolk for July 1836. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Warrants for Ward meetings

Ordered: That Warrants be issued for the meeting of the legal voters of this City in their several Wards

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on Tuesday the Fourth day of November next at Eight o'clock A. M. then and there to give in their votes upon one ballot for Thirteen electors of President and Vice President of the United States each ballot for such electors to contain the name of at least one inhabitant of each Congressional District of this Commonwealth. Also upon another and separate ballot to give in their votes for the following State Officers viz: a Governor, a Lieutenant Governor, a Member of the next Congress for Districts Four and Five, a Councillor for Districts Three and Four, a Secretary, a Treasurer and Receiver General, An Auditor, and an Attorney General of this Commonwealth, Six Senators for the County of Suffolk and Forty Four Representatives to represent the city of Boston in the next General Court of this Commonwealth, that being the number determined upon by the City Council. Also upon another and separate ballot to give in their votes for the following County Officers for the County of Suffolk all of whom to be inhabitants of said County, viz: a Sheriff, a Register of Probate, a Commissioner of Insolvency, and an Attorney for the Commonwealth in said County, severally to hold their respective offices for three years: also for a Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court a Clerk of the Superior Court, a Clerk of the Municipal Court and a Register of Insolvency severally to hold their respective offices for five years. The Polls to be kept open until four o'clock P.M.

Voting Lists.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be instructed to designate on the Voting Lists the names of all persons found thereon who have not paid a tax assessed upon them within two years. Read twice and passed.

Athens Shed.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the seventh day of July 1856 public notice

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having first been given, a common Sewer has been constructed in Athens Road, the cost of which was Two hundred and ninety four dollars and fifty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Two hundred and twenty two dollars and ½ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or Lessees. Read once.

Commercial Street.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board passed on the eighth day of October 1835 public notice thereof having first been given a common Sewer has been constructed in Commercial Road, the cost of which was Eighteen Hundred and nine dollars and twenty nine cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Fifteen hundred and fifty six dollars and ½ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or Lessees. Read once.

Custom House and India Streets.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the second day of April 1835 public notice thereof having first been given, a common Sewer has been constructed in

Custom House and India Street, the cost of which was Fourteen hundred and ninety six dollars and ninety four cents one quarter paid which of being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains three hundred and twenty two dollars 50 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or agents. Read once. 327. Oct 13. 1830

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twenty sixth day of May 1830, public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Princeton Street, the cost of which was Seven hundred and twenty six Dollars and four cents one quarter paid which being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Five hundred and sixty four dollars and 53/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or agents. Read once. Princeton Street.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the third day of June 1830 public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Asylum Street, the cost of which was Four hundred and thirty four Asylum Street.

328. dollars and seventy cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted,
Oct. 13. 1856. to be paid by the said City, there remains Three hundred and seventy
six dollars and 100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, ac-
cording to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the sched-
ule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby
are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective
names, as their proportional part of the expence of the said Sewer, and
the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties
aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twentieth
day of October, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Jones.

Thirty two Traverse Jurors were drawn for the Superior Court. | 529. Oct. 20. 1850

Petition of George W. Bond and others that a nuisance caused by a defective drain or sewer in Washington Street near Kneeland Street may be abated — & Peter Lambert &c and others that a nuisance existing in Lower Fort and Camden Street may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health. | Bond Peter

Petition of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for the extension of their location in this city by a single track through Tremont, Court, Washington and other Streets, Harrison Avenue and East Cross Streets. Referred to the Committee on Paving | Metropolitan Rail Road.

Petition of George W. Warren &c and others in favor and in aid of the foregoing petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Warren.

Petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for permission to increase their rates of fare on Sundays to ten cents. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Metropolitan Rail Road.

Petition of Stephen Smith and others that the gutters in Tremont Street between Springfield and Worcester Streets may be paved &c — & Charles H. Rhoades for a sidewalk on Tremont Street from Union Park to the Rail Road Bridge. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Smith Rhoades

Petition of Wicker and Chandler that measures be taken by the City to protect their rights in four houses on Albany Street and East Orange Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Wicker & Chandler.

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Petition of Laura Crane to be paid for the closing up of his alleyway in Faneuil Hall. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Crane

Petition of John McBurron to be paid for change of grade in Shawmut Avenue. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

McBurron.

Petition of Roscoe G. Morgan, John H. Hague, and Laura E. Fulton severally, for leave to exhibit Animals, Birds and Natural Curiosities near the grounds of the United States Agricultural Society. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Morgan.
Hague
Fulton.

Petition of the Proprietors of the Music Hall for leave to give concerts at that place during the remainder of the year. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Music Hall.

Petition of William Andrews to be appointed an Inclosure of this City; of Horace D. Conley for a similar appointment. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Andrews
Conley.

Petition of William Hart for a discontinuance of a portion of Hanover Street near Salutation Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Hart.

Petition of F. J. Stevenson and others for the use of Faneuil Hall October 29th and 30th of Gardner Brewer and others for the use of said Hall on Nov. 1st next, of Chas. H. Peirce and others for the use of said Hall on the 3d instant; of John Salmon and others for its use on the 4th instant, for the purpose of holding political meetings therein. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall, with full power.

Stevenson
Brewer,
Peirce,
Salmon,
Faneuil Hall.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of the expediency of selling the City's North Wharf have considered the same, and submit the following report. The Committee find the North Wharf used by the Paving Department for landing paving stones, and other material for the City use. It is also used by the Superintendent of Internal Health for stabling some of the horses belonging to the Department. In the year 1854 there were landed at the North Wharf, for the Paving Department, fifty nine hundred twenty eight and one half tons of paving gravel, twenty one hundred and eighty one tons of paving stones, granite kerb and edge stones. In the year 1855 there were landed at the same wharf, fifty nine hundred and fifty one tons of paving gravel, nine hundred and one and one half tons of paving stones &c., making in all, landed in two years, thirteen thousand, nine hundred and seventy two tons of material, or about an average of seven thousand tons per annum. There are twenty seven horses and thirty carts belonging to the Internal Health Department kept in the stables on the wharf; and there is a workshop on the wharf, in which repairs are made on the city carts. These are the only benefits derived by the City from the owning and occupancy of the North Wharf. The Committee have taken into consideration, and think that the City should obtain wharves properly at various points in the City where exigencies may exist, so that it is desirable for the City to own rather than hire the premises, and would not recommend that the Government should part with any of its property, except that which is naturally in the market for sale, until after due deliberation as to its expediency. It is a question whether this property, as it is situated, is in a desirable position for the City's use. The City have a wharf on Charles Road which would accommodate them equally as well as the North Wharf, except

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North Wharf.

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that it would cost more for him for the transportation of the most of the materials of the Paving Superintendent handled thereon. The Charles Head Wharf is under lease, which expires on the first of April next, and is rented for thirteen hundred and fifty dollars per annum, and probably not much more rent could be realized by renewing the lease. The Charles Head Wharf embraces an area quite as large as that of the North Wharf, and it could be fitted, at a moderate expense to accommodate the business now done at the North Wharf. The Committee have taken into consideration the propriety and expediency of making the change from the North Wharf to the Charles Head Wharf, and have come to the conclusion that, if the North Wharf could be sold at a satisfactory price, that it would be advisable to occupy the Charles Head Wharf after the expiration of the present lease; and they would therefore recommend that this Committee have full power to sell the City North Wharf, at a price not less than eighty thousand dollars, possession to be given on the first of April next. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed

Essex Head Place.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Essex Head Place caused by surface water standing and stagnating on said premises, belonging to Thomas Ryan, Solomon Piper, William S. Eggin, John Hurd, Terrence O'Neil, Mowry & Fiske, and the City of Boston, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants, it is Hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by building a culvert to convey the surface water and grading said Place at the expense of said parties who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

A notice was received from the Metropolitan Rail Road Company that on this day the track located in Boylston Street and Tremont Street in front of the Granary Burying Ground, was opened for public travel. Read and placed on file. | 533. Oct 26 1850 Metropolitan Rail Road.

Petition of James Smith to be paid for personal injuries sustained from a defect in Commercial St. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 23. Came up concurred. | Smith

The report of the Port Physician for the quarter ending Sept. 30, was read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. | Port Physician

Henry Curtis and N. C. Hackstaff who were directed to present an amended report of the doings in their offices as Wood Inspectors presented a new report on that subject. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file. | Wood Inspectors

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the collection of the assessments for the construction of a Sewer in Princeton Street between Hanover and Fulton Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 22. 1850. | Princeton Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the collection of the assessments for the construction of a Sewer in Hudson Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor. October 22. 1850. | Hudson Street

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board relative to assessments for the construction | Commercial Street

534. of a Sewer in Commercial Street, was read a second time and
Oct 22 1856 passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 22. 1856.

Custom House & India Streets. The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to collect the assessments for the construction of a Sewer in Custom House Street and India Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 22. 1856

Athens Street The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the collection of the assessments for the construction of a common Sewer in Athens Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 22. 1856

Emerald Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a Sewer in Emerald Street said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Paul Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Paul Street by taking land of C. N. Holbrook, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Lewis Street Agreeably to notice Henry Gardner
Gardner and John Curran appeared and objected to the proposed widening of Lewis Street by taking land of said Gardner, whereupon the subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets.

Constables' bonds. The Bonds of Rufus L. Cook & David M. L. Low who have been appointed Constables of this City, were approved by the Board.

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving consider the expediency of paving a Planking Foot Alley for foot passengers with pine pavers. Approved by the Mayor October 22. 1856.

Oct 20. 1856. Wards Alley

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred on the 25th of August last an order of the City Council authorizing the Mayor and Superintendent of Public Lands to execute such instruments as may be necessary to release Henry Smith from the conditions of a deed of land recorded with Suffolk Deeds Lib. byll. Vol. 312. having considered the same would report that said order ought not to pass, but they recommend the passage of the accompanying order marked A instead thereof. For the Committee, Isaac Parker. A. Whereas the City of Boston, by deed dated the first day of February 1856. and recorded with Suffolk Deeds Liber byll. Folio 312. conveyed to Henry Smith a parcel of land, consisting of eight several lots as laid out by the City, upon certain conditions in said deed set forth; and whereas the said Smith has divided said parcel of land into nine parts; and whereas the said Smith has requested that the nine parts, into which the said land is now divided may be varied, & that the said conditions may apply to each of the said nine parts respectively; therefore Ordered; That the Mayor and the Superintendent of Public Lands be and they are hereby authorized to execute such instrument or instruments as may be necessary to make the said conditions apply to the said nine parts severally, and so that a failure to comply with such conditions, or any of them, shall affect those of the said parts only in regard to which such default may be made. Read in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor October 22. 1856.

Smith

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Loan
Albany Road
bridge.

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the communication from the Committee on Paving on the eleventh of August, relative to the cost of a bridge over the Worcester Rail Road in Albany Road, would respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of the accompanying order, authorizing a loan of Twenty five thousand dollars for said purpose. For the Committee Alex. H. Rice Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of Twenty five thousand dollars, and that the same be appropriated to meet the cost of the bridge over the Worcester Rail Road in Albany Road. Passed in common council, Yeas 29. Nays 4. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Calhoun, Cheever, Cordman, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich. 9. Nays, none. Absent, Aldermen Dingley, Torrey and Wightman. Approved by the Mayor, October 22. 1856.

Loan
North Ave
Bridge.

The Committee on Finance who have had under consideration the Auditor's communication to the City Council dated first instant, have duly considered the same, and beg leave respectfully to report to the City Council the enclosed order, authorizing a loan of Thirty six thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated to the cost of repairing the North Ave Bridge, as contemplated in said communication. For the Committee, Alex. H. Rice, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of Thirty six thousand dollars, and that the same be appropriated to defraying the cost of repairing the North Ave Bridge to South Boston. Passed in Common Council, Yeas 32. Nays 3. Came up for concurrence, Read and concurred, Yeas. Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Calhoun, Cheever, Cordman, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich 9. Nays, none. Absent, Aldermen Dingley, Torrey and

Wightman. Approved by the Mayor, October 22. 1856.

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Mather School House

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are authorized to expend one thousand dollars in addition to an appropriation for alteration and repairs on the Mather School House in South Boston, the same to be charged to the appropriation for Primary School Houses. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 22. 1856.

Mc Carty

Ordered: That there be paid to Cornelius Mc Carty the sum of Seven Hundred dollars for land taken & laid on Essex Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 21. 1856.

Homer

Ordered: That there be paid to Peter T. Homer the sum of Four thousand dollars for all that parcel of land taken to extend Granite Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking and extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 21. 1856.

Auctioneer

John E. Abbott was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at 7 Doane Street.

Kennelly.

Ordered: That there be paid to James Kennelly the sum of Five hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of the grade of K. Street, upon his paying

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his title to his Slide to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses

Knox

Ordered: That there be paid to William Knox and James Richey, trustees of the Estate of Eliza Dinsmore, the sum of seven hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of grade of Lexham Street the damage being in full for raising the grade to a level of Vermont Street upon their proving their right to receive the same and proving the title to the Estate to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor, and upon their giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses. Read once.

Bourdoin Square.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to square so much of Bourdoin Square, Laurel and Green Streets as he shall deem necessary in consequence of the widening of said Bourdoin Square, and make such changes in the grade of said Streets and Square as he shall deem necessary, and remove all the trees which now project into said Bourdoin Square and Green Street; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Adjourned to Monday next at four O'Clock. PM

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Thirtyd third day of October Anno Domini 1836.

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Ward man and Savage.

Petition of James W. Rose that the Tremont Street Sewer may be extended to Jones Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Rose

Petition of Daniel Draper & others that the Polls at the ensuing election in November be kept open until seven o'Clock PM. Read, and it appearing to the Board that the Warrants had been issued and served agreeably to a previous order of this Board, it was voted that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Draper.

On the several petitions of John H. Hague for leave to exhibit some Stuffed birds in this City; of Messrs G. Morgan to exhibit some Moose and of Dana P. Sutton to exhibit some Bears near the Fair Grounds, the Committee on Licenses reported that Licenses be granted to said several parties upon their each paying the sum of five dollars therefor. Accepted. Hague Morgan Sutton.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Richard Davis for leave to keep a Stable for more than four horses at 31 Kingston Street, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Accepted. Davis.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of Theodore Mitchell for Mitchell

540. Oct 23. 1856. Leave to withdraw a petition for leave to erect a Sparling Alley in rear of No 674 Washington Street, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Foremen of Engine Co's. The Committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the petition of the Foremen of the several Engine Companies that suitable rooms be furnished for meetings of the Department, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Mayo Sampson Ball Sullivan. The Committee on the Fire Department on the subject of the remonstrance of Edward R. Mayo against the removal of a wooden building across Pleasant Street; of certain dangerous walls on Washington Square and the remonstrance of John Sullivan and others against the proposed erection of a Stable by Baron & Chick in Albany Street, reported that no action thereon is necessary. Accepted.

Alderman resigns. A communication from George W. Jersey tendering to the Board the resignation of his office as an Alderman of this City. Read and said resignation was accepted by the Board.

Bowdoin Square The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to repave a portion of Bowdoin Square, Court and Green Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor October 24. 1856.

Knox The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Wm. Knox and James Richey trustees of Elijah Linsmore, seven hundred dollars for damages to her estate on Pitcher Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, October 24. 1856.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay James Kennedy five hundred dollars for damages by his stable on Kent Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Oct. 24, 1856. | 5/11. Oct 23 1856 Kennedy

The Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the petition of William Nelson that a new ballot box invented by him may be used at the approaching elections, report that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the committee, John T. Bingley, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. October 30. Came up concurred. | Nelson.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of William Duncan asking the abatement of certain taxes levied upon him, from 1853 to 1854 on the ground that he had been assessed on the wrong lot of land which was of much higher value than the lot of which he held the title, have had the same under consideration and find on investigation that for eleven years of this period, the two lots were valued and taxed for the same amount, and the remaining six years, there was only a trivial difference in the assessment on the two pieces of property; to wit, the sum of one dollar seventy two cents, they therefore, Report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the committee, Cmyn Baxter Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. | Duncan

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Charles O. Whitmore and others, asking an abatement of the tax assessed on the property of the London Mining Co. for the year 1855 have had the same under consideration, and are unanimously of opinion that | Whitmore

542. the property was fairly valued, and your Committee are informed that the estimate put upon it is quite satisfactory to the present proprietors for future taxation; they therefore Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Cyrus Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

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Jail

The Standing Committee on the Jail respectfully represent that an apparatus for warming the jail by steam procured during the last year at a cost of Five thousand eight hundred and fifty dollars ($5850.) is found to be inadequate, that your Committee have caused a survey of said apparatus to be made by Wm. P. Parrott, a competent and skilful engineer, whose report is herewith submitted and from which it appears that the flues of the chimney are not of sufficient capacity and that said engineer recommends the erection of a chimney in the yard. Your Committee also propose, as a matter of economy in the saving of fuel, the adoption of double windows, and estimate the expense of the chimney and windows at Three thousand five hundred dollars ($3500.) The passage of the following order is therefore recommended. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Ordered: That the Committee on the Jail be and they are hereby authorized to make such alterations as they deem expedient, or to erect a new chimney to connect with the steam boilers used for warming the building and also to cause double windows to be fitted to said Jail the cost thereof to be charged to the appropriation for the County of Suffolk. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Oct. 24. 1856.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Twenty seventh day of October, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Wightman.

Petition of Joseph N. Allen and others, Allen.
that the surface water at the junction of Orleans and Saratoga Streets may be drained off. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of Andrew Shelhammer Shelhammer.
and others for a Common Sewer in Bird Street from Fifth to Seventh Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Petition of H. F. Gardner and Gardner
others that the northerly sidewalk of Ames and Street may be repaired Smith
ed of W. G. Smith and others that Thacher Alley may be paved and lighted. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of J. C. Holmes for leave Holmes
to build a Coal Hole in the sidewalk of Central Square. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of A. Prince to be heard Prince
respecting the refusal of the Board to grant him compensation for damages sustained by the widening of Washington Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Petition of Eaton Hoag and others Hoag.
for the use of Faneuil Hall Octobr 28th for a political meeting. Referred Faneuil Hall
to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

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Healey

Hay.

Petition of Edward Healey for leave to erect a Stable for more than four horses in Eliot Street and a remonstrance of Joseph Hay and others against the same, were referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Homer.

Petition of the Trustees under the will of Fitz Henry Homer for leave to erect a dwelling house of certain dimensions therein specified on the corner of Worcester and Washington Streets. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds. Sent down for concurrence. October 30. Came up concurred

Sears

Washington Court.

Marlboro' Street.

On petition of Joseph H. Sears & others that Washington Court may be accepted as a public highway, the Committee on Paving reported that an order has been passed to have Washington Court accepted on certain conditions and that no further action is necessary. They recommend that, when it is accepted, it be called Marlboro' Street. Read and accepted.

Metropolitan Rail Road Co.

On petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company for leave to increase their rate of fare on Sundays to ten cents in this city, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Noyes

Bennington Street.

On petition of Stephen Noyes to be paid for damage occasioned by a change of grade in Bennington Street, the Committee on Paving reported that said petition be referred to the Committee on Sewers as the petitioner's grievance can be remedied by the construction of a Sewer. Read, accepted and referred accordingly.

On nomination by the Mayor 5/15.
Wm Pickford, Thomas Bennett were appointed Police Officers & Duchesnay Oct. 27, 1856.
Hanson who has been chosen by the Board of Engineers a member of the Police
Fire Police to be a special officer at Fires, without compensation, also Special Police
Geo. Goring Master, and Nathan A. Hopkins, Mate of the Steamer
Fanny Morrison, and also Bradish R. Clapp, at Deer Island, Wm B. Scott,
employed by Wm B. Spencer in conveying Mail and Jas. P. Turner
Superintendent of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company to be Special
Police Officers without compensation were confirmed by the Board.

Whereas in the opinion of the Union Park
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Union Ritchie
Park should be widened at its western entrance it is therefore Ordered
that due notice be given to Asahel and John Ritchie that this
Board intend to widen the Park before mentioned by taking a part of
their land and laying out the same as a public Road, and that Monday
day, the tenth day of November next, at four o'Clock, P.M. is assigned as the
time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto

Whereas in the opinion of the First
Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that a Hanover Road.
certain portion of Hanover Road on land taken from William Hunt by
a Roster that was passed on the 31st March last past should be discon-
tinued, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said
William Hunt that this Board intend to discontinue said Road as afore-
said, and that Monday, the tenth day of November next at four o'Clock
P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be
made thereto.

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North Street
Shaddaway.

Whereas Daniel Bowker has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on North Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land of Mary E. Shaddaway, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Mary E. Shaddaway that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the tenth day of November next, at four O'Clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Pearl Street
Jones
Williams.

Whereas J.M. Jones and Isaac Williams have given notice to this Board of their intention to erect buildings on Pearl Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Josiah M. Jones and Isaac Williams, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out the same as a public Street - and that Monday, the tenth day of November next, at four O'Clock, P.M., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Metropolitan
Rail Road
Company.

The Committee on Paving to which was referred the petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company that a single track be laid in Washington Street, Cornhill and Tremont Street, and to whom was recommitted their report respecting the extension of the track of the Metropolitan Rail Road Company, would report on

the said petition the accompanying order of notice. Ordered. 547
Mr Rich, Chairman. On the petition of the Metropolitan Rail Road Oct 27 1836
Company for the extension of their location by a route back through
Washington Street from Brighton Street to Cornhill; through Cornhill to
Court Street; across Court Street to Tremont Street, through Tremont Street
to the Granary Burying Ground it is Ordered: That due notice be
given to the abutters on the aforenamed streets that this Board will
take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the
Metropolitan Rail Road Company as above set forth, on Thursday the
thirteenth day of November next at ten o'Clock A.M. when all parties
interested may then appear and be heard. Read accepted and the order
passed.

The Joint Standing Committee on Baker
Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Reynold Baker for leave
to exchange the bonds held by him for land purchased on Tremont Street,
for deeds on certain conditions, have duly considered the same and
would submit the following Report: That the petitioner have leave to
withdraw. Per the Committee, Jeremiah Cummings, Chairman. Read
and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Oct 30. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Methodist
Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of the Methodist Episcopal Episcopal
Church that a lot of land at the south part of the City be sold to Church
them on favorable terms have duly considered the same and would sub-
mit the following Report: That the Committee have sold to the petitioners a
lot of land on West Newton Street at a satisfactory price upon condition
that a substantial Church edifice of brick or stone at a cost of not less
than twenty thousand dollars be erected and completed within three
years from June 1st 1836 the land at no time to be used for other than Church

578 purposes. For the Committee. Farnham Hammond Chairman. Read
Oct. 27, 1856 and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Oct. 30. Came up concurred.

Bonds of City Officers

Ordered: That _____ be a Committee to examine the bonds of Officers of the City excepting only constable. Passed in Common Council and Messrs Eastman, Parker and Bigelow were appointed said Committee. Came up for concurrence. Read and laid on the table.

Treasurers Clerk hire

Ordered: That the sum of Seven hundred and fifty dollars be paid to the City and County Treasurer to defray the expense of extra clerk hire in his office and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, October 29. 1856

Lease approved.

Agreeable to the recommendation of the Committee on Public Buildings a Lease of the upper tenement of Quincy Hall formerly occupied by the National Caucus, to Bennett, White & Co. for two years, five months and eleven days from Oct. 1. 1856 for the annual rent of five hundred dollars per annum. was approved by the Board.

Library Lot.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings who were instructed by an order of the City Council approved July 19. 1856, to purchase a strip of land adjoining the Public Library estate, for the purpose of adding the same to the Library lot, have attended to that duty and have effected the purchase desired, and they offer the following order for the payment thereof. For the Committee. John T. Tingley, Chairman. Ordered: That there be paid to J. Huntington Wolcott the sum of Eleven thousand seven hundred and ninety six 96/100 dollars for a strip of land shown on a plan

of the premises drawn by Jas Goldsmith Oct 3. 1856. and should not 549
vest of the Public Library &c, the expence thereof to be charged to the ap Oct 27 1856.
propriation for the Reserved Fund. Read once.

Ordered: That there be paid Parkman.
to the Heirs of Geo. Parkman the sum of Seven hundred and four
teen dollars and ten cents for land taken to widen North Grove Street,
upon their giving to the city a Deed for the same and an acquittance
and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said
taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated
claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Resolved, That the safety and Dorchester
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Dorchester Avenue
Avenue should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to lay out widening
take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City a certain
piece of land belonging to said Estate bounded as
follows, viz: Easterwardly by the proposed line of widening of Dorchester
Avenue, there measuring two hundred and thirty five feet and 8/100;
Northwardly by the Fowler line two feet and 41/100; Westwardly by the
present line of the said Avenue, on an irregular line, two hundred
and thirty four feet and 3/100: containing two thousand two hundred
and eight square feet more or less. And whereas, due notice has been
given of the intention of this Board to lay the said piece, and for
the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed. It
is therefore Ordered, That the piece of land before described be and the
same hereby is taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the
said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James
Slade City Engineer, dated October 27th 1856. and deposited in the office of
the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the

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expense of widening the said Dorchester Avenue, as aforesaid, will amount to fifteen hundred and fifty six dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Pearl Street. Holbrook.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Said Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to C. N. Holbrook bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Said Street, four measuring forty four feet and 5/10; Northwesterly by land of Jeffry Richardson, fifteen feet and 7/10; Northeasterly by the present line of Said Street, forty four feet and 5/10; and Southeasterly by land of N. Jones and Isaac Williams, fifteen feet: containing seven hundred and seven square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City engineer, dated October 27th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Pearl Street as aforesaid, will amount to four thousand two hundred and forty two dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once

Adjourned to Friday next, at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday, the Thirty first day of October, Anno Domini, 1856

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen, except Alderman Dingley.

Petition of William H. Brown for appointment as Superintendent of the new Bridge at East Boston. Referred to the Committee on Bridges. — Brown.

Petition of the Broadway Rail Road Company for a location of their road through certain streets of Ward 12. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Broadway Rail Road.

Petition of Edward Everett and others that the City Council would purchase copies of Bridgeman's history of the Pilgrims of Copps' Hill and other cemeteries in this City, was read and laid on the table. — Everett Bridgeman

The nomination of Samuel Abbott as Assistant Foreman of Hydrant Company No. 2 was approved by the Board. — Fire Dept

Ordered: That the Trustees of the Public Library be and they are hereby authorized to present their annual report in print. Ordered: That one thousand additional copies be printed. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 1 1856 — Library Trustees report

Ordered: That an additional allowance for clerk hire in the Assessors' Department be authorized to an amount not exceeding fifteen hundred dollars and that the — Assessors Department appropriation

same be charged to the appropriation for Salaries. Passed in Common Council. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 1. 1856

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Dorchester Avenue.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the widening of Dorchester Avenue by taking land of the Old Colony Rail Road Company, came up for a second reading. Read and laid on the table.

Rickman

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay the heirs of George Rickman twelve hundred and fourteen dollars for land taken to widen North Grove Street, was read a second time and passed. - Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 1. 1856.

Pearl Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to widen Pearl Street by taking land of C. N. Holbrook, was read a second time and passed. - Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 1. 1856.

Library Lot

Prescott.

The order submitted by the Committee on Public Buildings to pay C. Huntington Prescott the sum of eleven thousand seven hundred ninety six dollars and fifty cents for a strip of land to be added to the Public Library Lot, came up for a second reading and was passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 6. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10. 1856.

Harvey.

The Committee on the Common to whom was referred the petition of Henry Harvey for leave to exhibit some wild men of Borneo in the Public Garden reported that no action thereon is necessary. Accepted.

Crane

On petition of Lucia Crane to be paid for the closing of his cellar doorway in Federal Street, the Com-

Committee on Paving reported that as Mr. Keane wishes to be paid for land claimed by him, that it be referred to the Committee on Laying out and widening Streets. Accepted and referred accordingly. 555. Oct. 31. 1836

On the complaint of C. T. Hazlitt against the present unsafe condition of the West Garden Wall adjoining Mr. Holmes premises on the petition of T. Holmes for leave to build a coal vault in Central Square on the petition of Charles F. Reades and others for a sidewalk on Fremont Street from Union Park to the East Road Gate, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. Hazlitt vs. Holmes. Reades

On the petition of P. H. Barry and others that cobblestones may be laid and the gutter paved in Marion Street, below Church Street, the Committee on Paving reported that it is inexpedient to grant the prayer of the petitioners at the present time. Accepted. Barry. Marion Street.

Leave was granted to Roberts & Murphy to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Garden, Tot. S. on the payment of twenty four dollars and the expense of two police officers. Accepted. Roberts

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises No. 9 & 11 Eutaw Place caused by a stinking drain on said premises, belonging to L. H. & George Keller, and C. L. Cassin, which is dangerous to the health of the Inhabitants, it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing the obstructions from said drains at the expense of said parties, who having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. Eutaw Place

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Board Alley

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists in Board Alley, running from High to Pearl street, caused by an obstructed drain on said premises belonging to estate of Gilbert Willis, Dec'd. from Mr. Child Benjamin Freeman, agent, Southworth Thaw, and N. L. Richardson William Lenox, agent, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health &c. and he is hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by removing all obstructions from said drain and enlarging the same if required, at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance.

Theatre Alley & Odeon Avenue.

The Committee on Paving, on the order of the 20th instant, respecting the expediency of repaving Theatre Alley, or as it is now called Odeon Avenue, would respectfully report, that in the opinion of the Committee said Avenue is a private way having never been ceded to the city by the owners thereof, but on the contrary is claimed by the abutters thereon as their property. They therefore do not deem it their duty to order said Avenue to be paved or planked at the expense of the City as it would establish a precedent for the repaving of private ways. For the Committee, Otis Fitch, Chairman. Read and laid on the table.

Beebe, Oliver Young men's Christian Association

The Committee on the Common &c. to whom were referred the petitions of Jas. Beebe and others, N. G. Hammersley, Thomas T. Bailey, Elijah Wright and John G. Oliver, having considered said petitions, respectfully report, that no action thereon is necessary. For the Committee, Farnham Flammer, Chairman. Accepted.

Quarantine regulations repealed.

Ordered, That the Quarantine regulations established August 11th last for the protection of the Port of

Boston from all danger from yellow fever or other malignant diseases, be and they are hereby repealed. 532.

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Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be and they hereby are authorized to remove the buildings on Church Street belonging to the heirs of the late George Parkman, to the line of widening as adopted, said removal to be done, if in the judgement of the Committee the public interest will be subserved thereby, the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated Street claims. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 3. 1836. Parkman Church Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Lands be and they are hereby authorized and empowered to exchange or purchase such parcels of land on Fremont Street, at its junction with Dedham Street, as may in the judgement of said Committee be necessary to secure the opening of an avenue to be constructed by the Commonwealth and the Water Power Company from the Mill Dam across the Back Bay to said Fremont Street. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Nov 6 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 8. 1836. Fremont Street Dedham Street. Back Bay.

Ordered: That there be paid to E. & C. Dyer the sum of Ten hundred twenty eight dollars for land taken to widen Congress Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 1st 1836. Dyer

556. Ordered, That there be paid to
Ord. 31. 1856. Thos Daniell the sum of Thirty six Hundred dollars for land taken
Daniell to extend Friend Street, July 26th 1855. upon his giving to the City a
Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all
damages costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and
that the same be charged to the appropriation for the Extension of
Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov
1st 1856.

City officers Bonds of— The order of the Common Coun-
cil appointing a Committee to examine the Bonds of the several City
Officers was taken from the table, and on motion of Alderman Rich
was ordered to be returned to the Common Council said order being
improperly before this Branch of the City Council.

North Wharf. The report of the Joint Special
Committee on the subject of the sale of the City Wharf was taken
from the table but after a short discussion was laid down.

Votes com^d to count. On motion of Alderman Calhoun
it was voted that when the Board shall adjourn it be to meet on
Thursday next at four o'clock P.M. and Alderman Gallaher, Benney
and Plummer were appointed a Committee to examine the returns
of votes which will be cast on Thursday next for National State and
County Officers

Washington Street Widened Resolved That the safety and
convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Washington
Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take,
and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City a piece of
land belonging to James Greene, Thomas A. Goddard and Wm. F. Baker,

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trustees of the late Thedman - bounded as follows viz: Northwardly by the proposed line of widening of Washington Road, there measuring sixty feet and 12/100; Northwardly by the present line of the said Road, ninety feet and 35/100; Eastwardly by the same, eight feet and 1/2, and Southwardly by the same, five feet and 1/2: containing three hundred and sixteen square feet and 3/10 more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return in this behalf, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated October 31st 1850. and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Washington Road, as aforesaid, will amount to twelve Hundred and sixty four dollars: which sum both or with the amount of Claims of previous allowances or discontinuances in said Road, during the present municipal year does exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the third day of November, Anno Domini 1856, by order of the Mayor.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Chase.

Byrnes Church Street.

On petition of Edward Byrnes, Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be and they hereby are authorized to grant liberty to Edward Byrnes to remove a building situated on Church Street belonging to the heirs of George Beckman into said Street to enable said Byrnes to prepare a foundation for said building on the line of widening as adopted by this Board, if in the judgement of said Committee it can be done consistently with the public interest in said Street.

Dunham Voting mode of

Josiah Dunham, Jr. presented to the Board a petition asking to be heard respecting the mode of voting at the election to be held in this City tomorrow - whereupon said petitioner was heard at length.

Putnam

Petition of C. G. Putnam that the firing of Cannon on the Common the present week may be prohibited. Referred to the Committee on the Common with full power.

Voting mode of

Alderman Rich offered the following order - Voted that the ballots for the various offices of National, State and County, may be put in one envelope and deposited in a box provided at that purpose - or the votes may be open - and that the order providing that three ballot boxes shall be used be rescinded. Read and laid on the table.

Adjourned to Thursday next at four o'clock PM

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the sixth day
of November, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Gingley, Lin-
dall, and Brewster.

Ten burrese Jurors drawn for the Su- | Jurors
perior Court.

Petition of George Field and others | Field.
that Spring Street may be lighted with Gas— | Coolidge
that Gas Lamps be placed and lighted on the Western Avenue, | Lamon
Lamon and others that Hanover Street be lighted with Gas— | Bemis.
and others that Springfield Street may be lighted. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Lamps.

Petition of Charles H. Brown and | Brown
others that a nuisance caused by a Gutter in Pinckney Street may be
abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Petition of A. G. Spalding for leave to | Spalding
keep an Intelligence Office at 225 Tremont Street. Referred to the Com-
mittee on Licenses.

Petition of James Folsom and others | Folsom
that Concord Street between Washington and Tremont Streets, and also | Eagle
Cumston Street may be opened for public travel— | Concord, Cumston
others that Lenox Street be accepted as a public highway. Referred to the | & Lenox Streets.
Committee on Paving.

Petition of John Robinson and others | Robinson
that the sidewalks in Springfield Street may be laid with plank. Refer-
red to the Committee on Paving.

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Petition of Theodore R. Glover, trustee, to be paid for damages arising from the opening of a street over land of the late Stephen Glover. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Glover.

Cummings

Petition of John F. Cummings and others that Fremont Street be numbered from Dover Street to Roxbury Line. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Haynes

Petition of Amos Haynes to be paid for damages occasioned to his horse in Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Boston Agricultural Society

Petition of the Boston Agricultural Society for renewal of their lease of the South Bay Lands. Referred to the Committee on Public Lands. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

City Clerk.

The City Clerk reported to the Board that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending Octr 31. 1856 the sum of one hundred ninety four dollars and eighteen cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

City Registrar

The City Registrar reported to the Board that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for the quarter ending Oct. 31. 1856 the sum of four hundred twenty four dollars and fifty cents. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Placed on file.

Inspectors

The Inspectors of the Northern Jail reported that he had received during the quarter ending October 31. the sum of seven hundred eighty two dollars and fifty nine cents,

fifty per cent of which be paid to the said Boston & Providence Rail Road Corporation. Read and sent down. In Common Council. Read & accepted. Nov. 6. 1856.

The Superintendent of the Market reported to the Board that he had received and paid into the City Treasury for rents &c. for the quarter ending October 31. the sum of seven hundred and seven hundred fifty six dollars and three cents. Read and placed on file. Market

The Committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of N. Prince asking to be heard in favor of the road to grant him compensation for damage sustained by the widening of Washington Street, Reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Accepted. Prince.

The Committee on the Fire Department to whom were referred the petitions of Brown and Child for leave to erect a Stable on Albany Street & S. Eaton for leave to erect a Stable on Northampton Street reported that said petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted. Brown Eaton

The order submitted Oct. 31 for the widening of Washington Street, by taking land of John Redmans Heirs, came up for a second reading and was laid on the table on motion of Alderman Bonney. Washington Street.

Whereas in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Dorchester Avenue should be widened it is Ordered that due notice be given to the Old Colony Rail Road Corporation and the heirs of George A. Thacher, that this Board intend to widen the Road before mentioned, by taking a part of their land, and laying out the same as a public Road and that Monday, the twenty fourth day of November Dorchester Avenue Old Colony R. R. Thacher

562. instant at four o'clock PM is assigned as the time for hearing any
Nov 6. 1856. objections which may be made thereto.

Whereas, in the opinion of the
Lincoln Street. Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Lincoln Street should be discontinued between Oak and East Orange Streets, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That public notice be given that this Board intend to discontinue the said portion of Lincoln Street as aforesaid, as a public highway, and that Monday, the twenty fourth day of November instant at four o'clock PM, is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Enid Street. Whereas Edward Healey has giv-
Amherst en notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on Enid
College Street in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land of Amherst College Corporation it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Amherst College Corporation, that this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public Street and that Monday, the twenty fourth day of November instant at four o'clock PM, is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Williams Ordered, That due notice be given
Court that this Board will on Monday, twenty fourth instant at four o'clock PM, take into consideration the expediency of constructing a Common Sewer in Williams Court and of assessing the expense thereof on the persons who may enter their particular Drains into such Common

Court or who be any more simple means than water and bread
thereby. Any person making objections thereto, will then and there be
heard. Nov. 6. 1856.

Ordered: That the Hearing on Metropolitan
the subject of the extension of the location of the Metropolitan Railroad Road.
which was assigned for Thursday the thirteenth instant be postponed for
one week from said day at the same hour of the day said postponement
being made on account of other engagements of this Board on
the thirteenth instant.

The Committee appointed to ex- Votes for
amine the returns of votes given on the fourth instant for National State Presidential
and County Officers, have attended to that duty and report that owing to Electors.
the late hour at which the returns were received from several of the Wards,
they have been able only to examine the returns for Presidential Electors
and Members of Congress for Districts Four and Five, which they
find are correctly entered in the Book kept for that purpose. The Com-
mittee ask for further time to examine the returns for the other offices.
For the Committee, Wm H. Calhoun, Chairman. Accepted.

Ordered: That there be paid to Coolidge
Sarah G. Coolidge the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars for land taken to
extend Friend Street, July 28. 1855 upon her giving to the City a Deed
for the same and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs
and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be
charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Stret. Read
twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. November 7. 1856

Ordered: That there be paid to Sam- Stanwood
uel and Caroline Louisa Stanwood the sum of Fifteen Hundred

561. dollars is and taken to extend Friend Street July 22nd 1855 upon their
Nov. 6. 1856. giving to the City a Deed of the same, and an acquittance and discharge of all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 7. 1856.

Woolridge Ordered That there be paid to Henry C. Woolridge the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars for land taken to extend Friend Street July 22. 1855. upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, November 7. 1856.

Hamilton Ordered That there be paid to Charles K. Hamilton and Margaret Hamilton the sum of Fifteen hundred dollars is and taken to extend Friend Street, July 22. 1855. upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov.r 7. 1856.

Laurel Street Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Laurel Street should be widened, and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and use as a public Street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Henry Gardner bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Laurel Street there measuring forty six feet and 7/10. Northwesterly by North Street, twenty two feet and 7/10. North-

eastwardly by the present line of Lewis Road, twenty six feet and $\frac{36}{100}$ hundredths; 362
Southeastwardly by the same, ten feet and ten hundredths; Eastwardly by the same Nov. 6. 1856
sixteen feet and $\frac{32}{100}$ and Southwardly by Sutton Road, twenty feet and $\frac{09}{100}$: Containing nine hundred and fifty nine square feet, more or less, and Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed, It is thereon Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City, according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated October 20th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board do hereby adjudge that the expense of widening the said Lewis Road, as aforesaid, will amount to five thousand dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Road, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 7. 1856.

Ordered: That the Superintendent Granite
of Streets be authorized to grade Granite Road between First and Second Road
Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Nov. 7. 1856.

The Committee on the Fire Depart- Engines
ment to whom was referred the order of October 6th respecting the pro- not to leave
priety of Engines leaving the City except in case of fire, would beg leave the City.
leave to report the following order instead thereof. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman
Ordered: That no Engine, Hydrant or Hook and Ladder Company attach-
ed to the Boston Fire Department shall be allowed to leave this City with
their apparatus or any portion thereof, except in case of fire, and then only
by permission of the Chief, or an Assistant Engineer. Read twice & passed.

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North Charles Street Pier Bridge.

The Committee on Paving would respectfully bring to the notice of the Board of Aldermen the subject of the construction of North Charles Street. Last year an order was passed by the City Council authorizing the carrying of Fifteen thousand dollars for the construction of a Sea Wall along the line of North Charles Street northerly of Cambridge Street. On account of the inability of the Committee on Streets to make a satisfactory arrangement with owners of the flats on each side of the Street as laid out it has been decided by your Committee to recommend that the Street be extended on a pile structure over the flats. We therefore report the following orders, one asking that the money which has been borrowed can be used for building of the pile structure and filling, and the other authorizing the building of the pier bridge. For the Committee Ald. Rich, Chairman. Ordered. That the Committee on Paving be authorized to extend North Charles Street from Cambridge to Allen Streets, by the construction of a pier bridge in conformity with a plan drawn by James Slade City Engineer. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. November 10. 1856.

Appropriation transfer of

Ordered: That the amount appropriated by the order of 21st October 1855, fifteen thousand dollars, for the building of a Sea Wall along the line of North Charles Street, be applied to the construction of a Pier Bridge as a substitute for said Sea Wall. Read twice and passed. Yeas, Aldermen Bonney, Carver, Chever, Godman, Jackson, Plummer, Rich and Wightman 8. Nays none. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Yeas 32. Nays 3. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 10. 1856.

Adjourned to Monday next at three o'clock P.M.

At a Special meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Tenth day of November Anno Domini, 1856. at ten and a half o'clock A.M. by order of the Mayor.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Jurors. Six Petit Jurors were drawn for the United States Circuit Court.

Votes &c. The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes given on the fourth instant for National State and County Officers have examined the returns for Governor, Lieut. Governor, Secretary, Auditor, Treasurer and Receiver General, Attorney General, Six Senators for the County of Suffolk, Sheriff, Register of Probate, Commissioner of Insolvency, Commonwealths Attorney for Suffolk County, Register of Insolvency, Clerk of the Supreme Judicial Court, Clerk of the Superior Court, Clerk of the Municipal Court and Councilors for Districts 3. and 4. and they find the said votes are correctly entered in the Book kept for that purpose. They have also examined the returns of votes for Seven Representatives to represent this City in the next General Court of this Commonwealth, from which it appears, that the following persons having a plurality of votes have been duly elected viz: Thaddeus Allen, Horace Representatives. E. Armington, John H. Andrews, Ebenezer Atkins, Samuel A. Bradbury, Thomas M. Brewer, Isaac P. Campbell, Paul Curtis, Albert Day, Charles Reed, George Heaton, Jonas Filch, Albion K.P. Foy, Phineas C. Gee, William Hewins, Samuel Newmarch, Charles Rate, Daniel Rimbal, Jr. Ebenezer Nelson, Thomas Nickerson, Charles Norell, John N. Norell, Charles A. Phelps, Enoch Plummer, Edward S. Porter, Ambrose A. Ranna, Thomas J. Russell, Charles O. Rogers, Enoch C. Train, James G. Vanderhoop, Nathan Weston, Benjamin Smith, William B. Spooner, John L. Swift, Francis D. Stedman

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Lawton, Faitel, David, Frazer, George A. Thomson, Otis, Hyde, Alexander, Bromley, Samuel, Endicott, John G. Webster, Edwin, Wright, Councillors, and Ward, Ward 12, — Messrs. Barrow, Benjamin, Binney, Fairbanks, Hammer — Committee. Read and accepted.

Returns of Votes. Ordered: That the usual certificate of the result be transmitted to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, and that the City Clerk be directed to notify the Representatives elect.

Adjourned to this afternoon at three o'Clock.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Tenth day of November, Anno Domini, 1856, at three o'Clock, P.M.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Gingley, Chaney, Wightman and Kendall.

Bailey. Petition of John B. Bailey for leave to exhibit a Panorama of America. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Drury. Petition of Otis Drury, for a Sewer in Prince Street from Pond to Washington Streets. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Malone. Petition of Eliza C. and Ann Malone for abatement of assessment for constructing a Sewer in Gold Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Hunnewell. Petition of John S. Hunnewell and others that edgestones be set on Marion Street between Cutler and Shawmut Streets

Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Petition of Walter Bryant that his improved Horse Railroad track may be adopted in this City. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Nov. 10. 1856. Bryant.

Petitions of Edward Otheman to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Billing Street. of Patrick Feeney to be paid for damages for change of grade in Albany and East Orange Streets of Leigh Hill to be paid for a change of grade in F. Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Otheman. Feeney. Hill.

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be and they are hereby requested to consider the expediency of widening Harrison Avenue from Dover Street to the line of Roxbury. — Harrison Avenue.

On petition of John C. Pilsbury that the sidewalks in Malden Street may be relaid, the Committee on Internal Health reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Accepted. — Pilsbury

On the petition of James Healy for leave to keep swine at 467 Commercial Street, the Committee on Internal Health reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. — Healy

On the petition of Charles H. Brown and others for the abatement of a nuisance caused by a stable in Ruchase Street, the Committee on Internal Health stated that the grievance complained of is not properly within the cognizance of the said Committee or the Board of Aldermen, but if reached at all, it must be by prosecution at law: Therefore that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted. — Brown

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Swasey

Ordered: That there be paid to John G. Swasey the sum of one thousand dollars for his damages sustained by the extension of Friend Street on the 28th of July 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. November 17. 1856.

Fallen

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Pleasant Street.

Ordered: That the sum of Twenty two dollars and ninety three cents be and the same is hereby deducted from the assessment laid upon the estate of David Fallen; also that the sum of one dollar and seventy five cents be and the same is hereby deducted from the assessment laid upon the estate of G.W. Page, for their proportional parts of the cost of construction of the common sewer in Pleasant Street, in consequence of errors having been made in the quantity of land upon which said assessments were founded. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor November 17. 1856.

Bills

payable

Ordered: That the following bills payable to members of the City Council be entered on the Auditors draft and paid, provided they are duly approved and audited, and allowed by the Committee on Accounts in the usual manner, viz: Julian C. Mason, Nine hundred three dollars and eighty cents; Buckley and Bancroft, Three hundred forty seven dollars and eighty seven cents; Bond and Duncklee, One hundred twenty nine dollars and eleven cents; Do. Do. Twenty three dollars and fifty one cents; Joseph Hall 16 seven dollars Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. November 17. 1856.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of North Street by taking land of Isaac C. Indicutt, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. 571. Nov. 10. 1856. North Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Pearl Street by taking land of H. Innes and Isaac Williams, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. Pearl Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Hanover Street near the estate of Samuel Hart, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. Hanover Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Union Park near Fremont Street said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. Union Park.

On motion of Alderman Plummer the petition of Edward Everett and others in favor of purchasing copies of Thomas Bridgman's History of the Cemeteries of Copps Hill, Kings Chapel &c. & the Public Schools, was taken from the table and referred to the Committee on Public Instruction. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred. Everett Bridgman.

On motion of Alderman Rich the protests of Gardner and Thomas Brewer against the location of the track of the Metropolitan Rail Road in Fremont Street were taken from the table and were placed on file. Brewer

The Committee on Laying out &c. to whom was referred the petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for an extension of their location to Scollay Street reported in favor of said mea- Middlesex Rail Road

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are provided said company enter into a satisfactory agreement with the Board of Aldermen to pay the cost of widening certain portions of Sudbury and Cambridge Streets and they therefore recommend the adoption of the following order of notice. For the Committee Mr Rich chairman. On the petition of the Middlesex Rail Road Company for the extension of their location in a single track from Charlestown Street through Haymarket Square, Sudbury and Court Streets to the head of Brattle Street, it is Ordered: That due notice be given to the abuttors on the above named streets, that this Board will take into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the Middlesex Rail Road Company, as above set forth, on Wednesday the twenty sixth day of November instant, at ten o'Clock A.M. when all parties interested may appear and be heard. Read, accepted and the order passed.

Adjourned to Wednesday the Nineteenth inst at three o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Wednesday the Nineteenth day of November, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Kneeland.

Petition of Horatio R. Storer and others that a nuisance caused by Hayward water between Albion and West Springfield Streets may be abated Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

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Storer.

Petition of Edward C. Butman and others that a nuisance occasioned by the Albany Brick Steam Works may be abated. Referred to the Committee on Internal Health.

Butman

Petition of John Sweetser and others for payment of their damages occasioned by the change of grade in Fayette Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Sweetser

Petition of the Broadway Rail Road Company for an addition to the location heretofore demanded by them at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Broadway Rail Road

Petition of Cyrus Alger & Co and others that the work of paving Granite Street may be delayed until the North Free Bridge be opened for travel. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Alger. Granite Street.

Petition of W. G. Jenkins and others that Division Street may be opened for travel and that the trains of the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road Company may be prohibited from stopping in the streets at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Jenkins Division Street

Petition of William F. Goodwin and others that West Cedar Street may be graded near Southac Street & James B. Dow that a Culvert may be constructed at the corner of Harrison Avenue West Chester Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Goodwin Dow.

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Doherty.

Petition of W. K. Doherty for a renewal of his license as a Keeper of an Intelligence Office in Exchange Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Philadelphia Board of Health Quarantine

Communication from the Philadelphia Board of Health respecting a Convention of delegates from the principal maritime cities of the United States on the subject of the Quarantine Laws, was read and referred to the Committee on External Health.

Hammond Smith Squire.

Petition of Hammond and Sawyer & others that Cross Street between North and Fulton Streets, may be lighted with Gas of J. P. Smith and others that Gas Lamps be placed and lighted in Foster Street of John P. Squire & others that North Market Street may be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Gas Light Company.

Notice was given by the Boston Gas Light Company of their intention to erect a Gasometer on Hoppin's Wharf on Charles Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Hovey Hadaway.

Petition of James G. Hovey to be paid for damages occasioned to him by the widening of Washington Street. & Mary A. Hadaway to be paid for land taken to widen North Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Washburn Faneuil Hall.

Petition of William Washburn and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, Nov. 24th wherein he asked a warrant &c. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall with full power.

Weeks Faneuil Hall.

Petition of James B. Weeks and others for the use of Faneuil Hall December 2d 3d 4th and 5th wherein he

hotel a banquet &c: Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall

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The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board a Schedule of assessments for constructing a Sewer in River Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers

River Street

A communication from the School Committee respecting the insufficient accommodations at the Adams School House East Boston, was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred.

Adams School House

Communication from John A. French asking for a change in the conditions of sale in his deed, from the City of a lot of land on Providence Street. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred.

French.

Petition of the Church of the Messiah for abatement of tax for 1856. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred.

Church of Messiah

On nomination by the Mayor, Charles E. Whall was appointed a Police Officer of this City.

Police

Horace D. Bailey was appointed an Auctioneer at No. 103 Court Street.

Auctioneer

Leave was granted to Asaph S. Shedding to keep an Intelligence Office at 225 Fremont Street.

Intelligence Office.

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Robinson
Springfield Street

On petition of Seth Robinson and others, that the sidewalks in Springfield Street may be laid with plank, the Committee on Paving reported a concurrence of the same to the Committee on Public Lands. Accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred.

Swiss

On petition of John B. Bailey for leave to exhibit a Panorama of America, the Committee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted.

Otheman
Still

On the petitions of Edward Otheman to be paid for damages occasioned by the change of grade in Kilby Street of Joseph Still to be paid for damages occasioned by the change of grade in T. Street, the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Strouss

On petition of Joseph Strouss for appointment as an Auctioneer, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Second Hand
Dealers

Agreeably to the reports of the committee on Licenses, Benjamin Field and Abraham Schwab were appointed as Dealers in Second Hand Articles on the usual conditions.

Forristall

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of Ezra Forristall asking an abatement of the tax assessed upon Forristall and Parmele for 1854 and 1855, have duly considered the same and ask leave to report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Symm. Brewer Chairman. Read and accepted, and sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Simeon Curtis asking an abatement of his taxes for the years 1851. 1852. 1853 and 1854 have had the same under consideration and ask leave to report. That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee Simeon Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred. Nov. 19. 1856. Curtis.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of the Trustees under the will of Sir. Henry Homer for leave to erect a dwelling house of certain specified dimensions on Washington and Brewster Streets, have duly considered the same and would submit the following Report: That the prayer of the petitioners be granted. For the Committee Jeremiah Dummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred. Submitted to the Mayor for approval Nov. 21. 1856. and returned without signature after the expiration of ten days from said date. Homer

The Committee on Licenses, to whom was referred the petition of the Proprietors of the Music Hall, for leave to give Concerts during the present year, would respectfully present the following Report: By the City Ordinances, it is provided that the Mayor and Aldermen may license all theatrical exhibitions shows, public amusements and exhibitions of every description, to which admission is obtained by the payment of money, upon such terms and conditions as they may think reasonable. It has been usual for this Board, on the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Licenses to grant licenses to parties on the payment of a mere nominal sum; and as the present Committee have thought proper to adopt a different course in this respect from their predecessors, they take the present opportunity to ask the consideration of the Board to some Music Hall.

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regulations upon the subject. And, if proper, they may receive their sanction. It appears to our committee proper to make a distinction between the public amusements, &c., given by or under the direction and control of our own citizens and those given by or under the direction or control of foreigners or non-residents. Among the former we would class the regular performances at our theatres under the direction of the managers; and the lectures, concerts &c., given by the various societies located in our city, the parties engaged in which being principally residents among us. A large portion of the money they receive from the public is spent in various ways to the benefit and increase of the trade and labor of our citizens. The latter class is composed of those persons or parties, who travel about from place to place hire a theatre or hall for a short time, and after giving a few shows, concerts, or other exhibitions, and collecting what they can from our citizens, leave for some other place, carrying with them a large portion of the money they may have received for their performances. It is evident from these circumstances that to allow to transient parties the same privileges as are granted to our own citizens, is neither just nor proper; because the latter aid us in the support of trade and expenses of government, while the former do neither, but draw from us large amounts to be spent in other places, and frequently carry away with them to foreign countries. The committee deem it unnecessary to do more than allude to these facts, to convince the Board that it is expedient for the Committee to confine their general licenses of theatres & public halls to such performances and exhibitions as may be under the direction of their own managers or proprietors, and of the societies located in the city. And whenever these places are engaged for transient use, by foreign parties, a special license shall in all cases be required for which a proper and reasonable sum shall be paid, in the manner provided by the Ordinances of the City. Inasmuch therefore as the

Committee do not understand the regulations of the Music Hall to give a 5/7.
license for concerts, &c, under their own management but for the use of other
parties who may and if temperate, they deem it their duty, for the reasons
they have presented, to give the Petitioners leave to withdraw. To the com-
mittee, T. C. Kendall, Chairman. Read, said on the table and ordered
to be printed.

Ordered: That Wards be used for receiving votes
for the meeting of the legal voters of this City in their respective Wards
on Monday the eighth day of December next, being the second Monday
in said month, at eight o'clock, A.M., then and there to give in their bal-
lots for a Warden, Clerk, five Inspectors of Elections, four members of the
Common Council, Two members of the School Committee and one Over-
seer of the Poor, severally to be inhabitants of this City and resident
within their respective Wards. Also to give in their ballots for a Mayor
and twelve Aldermen, all of whom to be inhabitants of this City.
All the foregoing to be voted for on one ballot. The Polls to be kept open un-
til four o'clock, P.M.

On the petition of Andrew Shelhammer. Shelhammer
Ordered: That due notice be given that this Board will, on Mon- C. Read.
day next, at four o'clock, P.M., take into consideration the expediency of
constructing a Common Sewer in C. Road between Fifth and Seventh
Roads and of assessing the expense thereof on all persons who may
enter their particular Drains into such Common Sewer, or who by
any more remote means shall receive any benefit thereby. Any per-
son making objections thereto will then and there be heard.

The Committee on Paving, &c. having Charles Road
in charge the construction of a Bridge in continuation of Charles Road Bridge.
having advertised for proposals for the construction of the same, find

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that the cost of the structure will exceed the original estimate by the sum of six thousand dollars; making the whole cost twenty one thousand dollars instead of fifteen thousand dollars. They would therefore recommend that an additional amount of six thousand dollars be appropriated for that purpose, and that a loan to that amount be authorized. The original estimate was for a sea wall, and was, in the judgement of the committee, entirely inadequate for that purpose. Per the committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence Nov. 24. Came up concurred.

Library.

The Trustees of the Public Library submitted to the Board in print (city Document No. 61. their fourth annual report on the condition of said Institution. Accepted and sent down for concurrence. Nov. 20. Came up concurred.

Brown cases North Market Street.

Ordered: That the Committee on Claims be and they hereby are authorized with full powers to settle all liabilities of the late arising from the warranty of title to estates on North Market and Clinton Streets. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence, Nov. 24. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, November 25. 1856.

Broadway Rail Road

On the petition of the Broadway Rail Road company for the location of their track in the City of Boston in the manner following - Commencing on Broadway at P. Street with a single track through Broadway to Dorchester Street - from Dorchester Street with a double track through Broadway to Dorchester Avenue - through Dorchester Avenue over Federal Street Bridge through Federal Street to Beach Street - with a single track through Beach Street to Lincoln Street - through Lincoln Street to Summer Street through Summer Street to Washington Street. Also a double track con-

mencing in 65th Street at Washington Street through 65th Street to
Harrison Avenue through Harrison Avenue to Penn Street Bridge are
Penn Street Bridge through Fourth Street to A Street: and from thence with
a single track up Fourth Street to Dorchester Street through Dorchester Street
to the Old Road, through the Old Road to Fourth Street through Fourth Street
to K Street, through K Street to connect with the Broadway single track.
Also a single track commencing at Harrison Avenue in Penn Street
through Beach Street to South Street through South Street to Kneeland Street,
through Kneeland Street to Federal Street. Also a single track through A
Street from Fourth Street to Broadway. Also a single track commencing
in A Street at Broadway through A Street to Fourth Street thence through
Washington Avenue to Federal Street. it is Ordered: That due notice be
given to the abuttors on the above-named streets that this Board will take
into consideration the expediency of granting the prayer of the Broadway
Rail Road Company, as above set forth on Friday the 18th day of De-
cember next at three o'clock P.M. when all parties interested may ap-
pear and be heard. Vide page 585. 581
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Ordered: That Peter B. Brigham and others be allowed to widen the sidewalk in Fremont Row from Howard Street to a point opposite Pacific Street, at their own expense. The work to be done under the supervision of and to the satisfaction of the Superintendent of Streets, who shall determine the width to be allowed. Said once. Brigham Fremont Row.

On the petition of Thomas M. Howard Howard

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave South Cedar Street from Pleasant Street to Church Street, and make such changes South Cedar Street.
in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dan-
gerous; and to close all openings into said Street which are not secured

582 in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Provided the abutters
Nov. 19. 1856. on said part of South Cedar Street will relinquish in writing all
claims against the City of Boston for any damages which may oc-
cur in consequence of changing of the grade of said Street. Read once.

B. Street Sewer — Ordered: That the Superintendent of Sewers be and he is hereby authorized to cause the Common Sewer in B. Street to be extended through the Sea wall now being built on the line of First Street. Read once.

Todd — On petition of E. S. Todd and others-

Emerald Street — Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to construct a cess pool in Emerald Street. Read once.

Dorr — The Committee on the Assessors Department, to whom was referred the petition of Susan E. Dorr for the repayment of certain taxes assessed upon her from 1845. to 1854, having considered the subject, Report, That the petitioner alleges that the personal property, for which said taxes were assessed, was held by George B. and Francis H. Dorr of New York as trustees for her, and that she was not liable for said taxes. In order to test the question, upon a suit brought in the Supreme Court of this State to recover the amount paid in the year 1851 viz: Seventy dollars a decision was rendered against the city, and the petitioner now claims that all taxes paid by her both previous to 1851 and succeeding said year shall be refunded to her. Upon a review of the whole matter your Committee think that taxes which were assessed subsequent to the year 1851, and which were paid under protest, should be refunded to the petitioner with interest to Nov 1st 1856. They therefore offer the following order. For the Committee, Otmyn Bourke, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby directed to pay to Susan E. Dorr the sum of Two Hundred and Seventy Dollars

dollars, being the aggregate amount of the loans paid by me to the City 585
of Boston for the years 1852, 1853, & 1854, with interest thereon to Dec 1st 1856. Nov 14, 1856.
said sum to be charged to the Appropriation for Incidental Expenses and
Miscellaneous Claims. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next (tomorrow) at ten o'Clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder-
men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the Twentieth
day of November, Anno Domini 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Chever.

Four Grand and two petit Jurors Marks
for the United States District Court.

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Metropolitan Rail Road

Railroad hearings rules to be adopted for

Adams

Agreeably to notice, the Board took up the subject of the extension of the location of the Metropolitan Rail Road between Washington, Cornhill and Leonard Streets to the Granary burying Ground. Thereupon it was Ordered: That in the hearings upon the petitions of the several Rail Road corporations for location of their roads within the city of Boston the following rules be adopted for the government of the Board and the several parties during such hearings. 1st. No parties to be heard are the petitioners, and the abuttors on the roads thereon which it is proposed to locate the road said parties to be heard in person, or by council, but not by both. 2d If council are employed by either of the parties they must confine themselves to an opening in behalf of either party and closing for such party and not by several openings and closings upon either side. 3d If evidence is introduced such evidence is to be confined to the precise question before the Board and not to go into the matter of other rail roads generally no further than such evidence may bear directly upon the question under consideration. 4th Council appearing in the case shall inform the Board before the hearing begins for whom and in whose behalf he or they appear. Read twice and passed. Thereupon, William Bigham, Esq. presented to the Board the remonstrance of Alvin Adams and others against the proposed extension of said rail road in Washington Street - and he also stated that he desired a further postponement of this hearing on account of the unavoidable engagements of the senior counsel, Mr Choate, who was associated with him in this matter. Whereupon Alderman Cordman moved a postponement to Tuesday next at ten o'Clock, A.M. - but on motion of Alderman Wightman the subject was laid on the table. At this hearing none of the petitioners for the above extension appeared.

On motion of Alderman Rich | 585.

the vote of yesterday, whereby an order of notice on the subject of the location of the Broadway Wire Road was directed to be issued, was reconsidered and the subject was laid on the table. The Grantee of said Wire Road not having been accepted by the City Council. | Nov. 21. 1856. Broadway Wire Road.

Whereas it appears to this Board that a nuisance exists on premises in rear of Humphrey Place caused by defective vaults on said premises, belonging to Walter Symonds and Richard Walsh, which is dangerous to the health of the inhabitants it is hereby Ordered, That the Superintendent of Health be, and he is, hereby directed to cause said nuisance to be abated by entering said vaults to be cleaned and thoroughly repairing the same at the expense of said parties, who, having been duly notified, have neglected to abate said nuisance. | Humphrey Place.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave South Cedar Street from Pleasant to Church Streets, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 21. 1856. | South Cedar Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Susan C. Dorr two hundred and seventy three $^{24}/_{100}$ dollars, being the amount of taxes illegally assessed upon her, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Decr 15. 1856. | Dorr

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Sewers to extend the B. street sewer through the Sea wall on East Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 21. 1856. | B. Street Sewer.

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Emerald St.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to construct a cess pool in Emerald Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 21. 1856.

Brigham

Tremont Row

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board granting leave to Peter B. Brigham and others to widen the sidewalks in Tremont Row at their own expense, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 21 1856.

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty fourth day of November, Anno Domini, 1856

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Jurors.

Thirty two Traverse Jurors were drawn for a second session of the Superior Court.

Petition of Martin Quirk for a license to deal in Second Hand Articles. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. | 587. Nov. 29. 1850 Quirk.

Petition of D. Bryant and others for leave to give Concerts at the Coliseum. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. | Bryant

Petition of Daniel Bowker for compensation for damages sustained by the widening of North Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets. | Bowker

Petition of William Johnson and others for the use of Faneuil Hall December 25th for the purpose of holding a Fair. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. | Johnson Faneuil Hall.

Petition of James Conley and one hundred and eighty eight others in aid of the petition of W. C. Jenkins & others for the opening of Division Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving. | Conley. Division Street.

Petition of Franklin Smith and John Park severally for leave to use their own hearses at funerals in this City. Referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. | Smith Park

Petition of Lydia Barrows for abatement of the taxes assessed upon her. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. | Barrows.

No person appearing to object to the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Lincoln Street between Oak and East Orange Streets said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power. | Lincoln Street.

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Dorchester Avenue.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Dorchester Avenue by taking land of the Old Colony Rail Road Corporation and George C. Thacher, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Athol Street.

No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Athol Street by taking land of Amherst College Corporation said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

D. Street Sewer

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a common Sewer in D. Street from Fifth to Seventh Street, said subject was referred to the Committee on Sewers with full power

Williams Court.

No person appearing to object to the proposed construction of a common Sewer in Williams Court, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Sewers with full power.

Bills to be paid.

Ordered: That the following bills for stock &c. furnished for the use of the City be audited and paid provided they are duly approved and allowed by the proper authorities, viz: Sewer fund Nat. Eur hundred sixty two dollars and eighty three cents, Sardale Drake eighty five dollars and five cents, George W. Swan Jr. one hundred forty nine dollars and thirty cents, Joseph M. Wightman, three hundred fifty five dollars and thirteen cents. Passed in common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 25. 1856

Public Lands

Ordered: That the Committee on so much of the Mayors Address as relates to Public Lands have leave to sit in print. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence and

and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. December 25 1856. 3 Sy.

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Ordered: That the collection of the assessment of twenty three Hundredths made upon Alonzo Wand, non. Malone for their proportional part of the cost of the construction of a common Sewer in Petal Street be postponed until an entry be made into said Sewer. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25. 1856. Malone

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses William Andrews was appointed an Auctioneer of this city. Auctioneer

On petition of Mary R. Jorgue to be paid for damage sustained by the construction of a Sewer in Chenango Street, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. Jorgue

The Committee on External Health to whom was referred a communication of the Board of Health of Philadelphia, as to a uniformity in the quarantine regulations of the maritime cities of the United States, Report: That the suggestions in said communication are of great practical value, but inasmuch as the delegates to the Convention proposed should be from the Board of Aldermen of the next municipal year they recommend that the communication be referred to that branch of the next City Government. For the Committee, Edward Worman, Chairman. Read and accepted, and the City Clerk was directed to transmit a copy of said report to the Board of Health at Philadelphia. Quarantine Philadelphia.

The Committee on County Accounts to whom was referred the petition of D. S. Gilchrist for leave to print and publish a copy of the Granter Index of Deeds, by subscription at his own Indices Gilchrist.

590 expense would upon the accompanying order. Joseph A. Wightman,
Nov. 24. 1856 on a.m. no 4: Ordered: That L. I. Gilchrist is hereby authorized to print and publish the copy of the Guardian order for the year 1855. to be prepared by him under the order of the Board July 2. 1856, provided, that the same be printed and published at his own risk and expense, and without any cost to the County of Suffolk, and the said Gilchrist shall be entitled to any benefit which may be derived from the sale of said copies. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 25. 1856.

Fayette Ordered: That the Superintendent of
Street. Sewers be and he is hereby authorized and directed to reconstruct the Common Sewer in Fayette Street at such height as will enable it to discharge into the Common Sewer in Church Street. Read twice & passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25. 1856.

Higgins Ordered: That there be paid to Oscar
I. Higgins the sum of Five hundred dollars for his damages sustained from the extension of Friend Street, July 28. 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Nov. 25. 1856.

Gardner Ordered: That there be paid to Henry
Gardner the sum of Five thousand dollars for land taken to widen Sewall Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Nov. 25. 1856.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be | Nov. 24. 1856
and he is hereby directed to pay to each and every person named in the list | Militia
of the Volunteer Militia of the City of Boston as entitled to the Bounty as | Bounty.
levied by law for the performance of Military Duty the sums affixed to
their respective names, amounting in the aggregate to Ten Thousand three
hundred and sixty two dollars and fifty cents to be charged to the appropria-
tion for Militia Bounty. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor
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On motion of Alderman Kendall | Music
the report of the Committee on Licenses on the subject of granting Licenses | Hall
to the Proprietors of the Music Hall to give Musical Entertainments &c.
(being City Doc. No. 64. was taken from the table and was accepted by the
Board.

On motion of Alderman Plummer | Theatre
the report of the Committee on Paving on the subject of paving Shaw- | Alley.
mut Alley, which was laid on the table October 31st was taken from the table,
and was recommitted to the Committee on Paving with full power to pave
said Alley, provided a release from the abutters on said Alley be obtained.
Approved by the Mayor. Nov. 25. 1856.

The Secretary of the Board of Engi- | Fire Dep't
neers of the Fire Department communicated to this Board intelligence | Chief Engineer
of the death of Selina Smith Jr. Chief engineer of said Department. Where | Smith
upon Alderman Wheeler submitted to the Board the following resolves
viz: Resolved: That the City Council learn with profound regret the
decease of Selina Smith Jr. Chief engineer of the Boston Fire Depart-
ment. Resolved: That in the decease of Capt. Smith the Fire Department
has lost an energetic and courageous officer, and the City of Boston
a faithful and devoted public servant. Resolved; That as a mark
of respect to the memory of the deceased the City Council will attend

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the funeral of the deceased at the time appointed for that service.

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Read twice and passed unanimously. Sent down for concurrence, came up concurred unanimously. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25. 1856.

Broadway Rail Road Grants.

Ordered: That the papers relating to the acceptance of the Grants of the Broadway Railroad Company be taken from the files of the last year and referred to a joint Special Committee of the City Council. Read and passed and Aldermen Rich, Jackson and Wilson were appointed said committee on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred and Messrs Parkman, Buckley, Richardson, Warner and Hilton were joined. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 25. 1856.

Church of the Messiah.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of the Proprietors of the Church of the Messiah for an abatement of the tax assessed upon a piece of land adjoining their Church Edifice having considered the same Report, that as said land was purchased for the purpose of making an addition to their edifice thereon, which addition is now being made, said tax should be abated. They therefore advise the passage of the following order. For the Committee, Simon Brewster Chairman. Ordered: That the Assessors be and they are hereby directed to abate the tax assessed upon the Proprietors of the Church of the Messiah for the year 1856, amounting to the sum of twenty two and 74/100 dollars: said tax being on land used by said Society for the purpose of erecting thereon an addition to their Church Edifice. Read. Sent down for concurrence. Nov. 24 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Nov. 25. 1856.

Whitman

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Josiah S. Whitman, & others,

for personal injuries sustained by his wife on Henry Street, and further have examined into the case, and respectfully report that they do not consider the City liable for the injuries complained of. They therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Per the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Dunbar 16s

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims to whom was referred the petition of Peter Dunbar 16s to be paid for the loss of a horse, alleged to have been occasioned by the unsafe condition of Commercial Street, respectfully report, that they have examined into the case, and do not consider the City liable for the loss. They therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Per the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Hanover Street Laid.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Hanover Street should be discontinued as a public street or way of the said City bounded as follows, viz: Eastwardly by the Easterly line of Hanover Street as established by a Resolve of the Board of Aldermen passed March 31st 1856, there measuring forty feet and 24/100 Northwardly by land of Jane Truman, ten feet and 100; Westwardly by the Eastern line of Hanover Street as the same existed previous to the date of the said Resolve, forty feet; and Southwardly by Salutation Street, ninety feet and 23/100: containing three hundred and sixty three square feet more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of Hanover Street aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the portion of the said street before described be, and the same

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Nov 24. 1856. ing to a plan of the same made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated March 31st 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Alder-
men. Read once.

Pearl Street — Resolved, That the safety and con-
Jones. venience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Pearl Street should
Williams be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Josiah M. Jones and Isaac Williams bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterwardly by the present line of widening of Pearl Street, there measuring forty two feet and 32/100; Northwesterwardly by the present line of the said Street fifteen feet; Northeasterwardly by the same, forty two feet and 2/100; and Southeast-wardly by land of S. Richardson, fifteen feet and 2/100: Containing six hundred and seventy four square feet, more or less. And whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid as appears by the return hereunto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade City Engineer, dated October 31st 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Pearl Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Five thous-
and seven hundred and twenty five dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does exceed the sum of five thous-
and dollars. Read once.

North Street. — Resolved, That the safety and conve-
Huddleway. nience of the Inhabitants of the City require that North Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a pub-

lic street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Mary C. Huddleston bounded as follows viz. Southerly Westerly by the proposed line of widening of North Street there measuring twenty five feet and 6/10ths, Northerly by land of Mr. Shaw, there feet and 7/10ths Southeasterly by the present line of said Street, twenty four feet and 7/10ths and Southerly by land of Reed and Gerrish two feet and 7/10ths: containing twenty four square feet and 5/10ths more or less. And whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated December 24th 1856 and deposited in the Office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said North Street, as aforesaid, will amount to Two hundred and twenty five dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars Paid once.

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Committees

On motion of Alderman Kendall

Clerk of

Monday next at five o'Clock, P.M., was assigned as the time for choice of a Secretary to the Joint and Special Committees of the City Council.

Adjourned to Wednesday next at ten o'Clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Wednesday the Twenty eighth day of November, Anno Domini, 1856

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Kendall.

Smith

Ordered: That the Resolutions upon the death of Olithus Smith Jr. Chief Engineer of the Boston Fire Department be entered upon the Records: and that a Copy thereof be sent to the family of the deceased. Passed in Common Council. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 26. 1856.

Washington Street.

On motion of Alderman Dingley, the resolve and order for the widening of Washington Street by taking land of John Redmans heirs, which were laid on the table Nov. 6th were taken up and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec.r 6. 1856.

Pearl Street.

The resolve and order for the widening of Pearl Street by taking land of J.N. Jones and S. Williams, which were submitted at the last meeting of the Board, were read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec.r 6. 1856.

Harrison Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the discontinuance of a part of Harrison Street, near the Gate of William Hurd were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Nov. 26. 1856.

North Street.

The resolve and order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the widening of North Street at

laying and of Harris & Fuddaway were read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Nov 26. 1856.

Sewer
Nov 6. 1856.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the fourth day of August 1856, a Common Sewer has been constructed in River Street, the cost of which was seventy seven dollars and seventy two cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains fifty eight dollars and 79/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums herein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their heirs or assigns. Read once.

River Street

Ordered: That the Committee on laying out and widening Streets be and they are hereby requested to consider the expediency of reopening as a public highway that portion of Kneeland Street which was discontinued between Albany and Lincoln Streets by a vote of the Board of Aldermen Dec. 17. 1855.

Kneeland Street.

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed extension of the location of the Middlesex Rail Road by a single track from Haymarket Square through Sudbury and Court Streets to the head of Traille Street. Edward H. Hodges, Esq. appeared in behalf of the Middlesex Rail Road company - and Harvey Jewell, Esq appeared for Geo. K. Parish and others citizens on the streets above named who filed a petition in aid of the Middlesex Rail Road Company's petition. After hearing the arguments of the above gentlemen in favor of granting the prayer of the petitioners, the ad-

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fact was laid on the table. At this meeting no remonstrants against the proposed location appeared.

The Board then adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock. P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the first day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Alderman Cheever.

Peter Division Road. Petition of J. J. Peter and one hundred and forty two others in aid of the petition of William C. Jenkins and others for the opening of Division Street was referred to the Committee on Paving.

Faneuil Hall. Petition of John S. Faneuil and others for the use of Faneuil Hall, Decr 5. wherein to hold a meeting of the Fire Department in relation to the death of Elisha Smith, late Chief Engineer of the said Department. Referred to the Committee on Fan

mit Hall with full power.

Petition of Palmer and Buchelder and others for the construction of a Sewer in the Division Street between Williams Court and Hale Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

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Petition of Nathan Underwood and others that Clarence Fiddith be appointed Superintendent of the Division Bridge & J. R. Wilkins and others that Isaac Foster be appointed to the same office. Referred to the committee on Bridges.

Fiddith Foster.

Petition of Joel M. Holden and others that a Gas Lamp be placed and lighted at corner of Verdin and Union Streets & of David Marden and others that Foster Place be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps.

Holden. Marden.

The Committee on Paving would respectfully ask that the sum of Ten Thousand dollars be added to the appropriation for Paving, &c., to meet the extraordinary expenditure to that amount, caused by the settlement of the grade damages on Fayette Street, which were created some years since by the building of the new sewer in Union Street and the raising of the grade of said Church Street. These damages have remained unsettled up to this year. Under the authority of an order passed by the Board of Aldermen, and approved by His Honor the Mayor, arrangements have been made with the abuttors for a mutual settlement of their claims. The sum asked for will be necessary to complete the City's part of the contract. The settlement of such a large amount of damages was not contemplated when the Committee asked for the amount appropriated for 1856-57. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and referred to the

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Committee on Finance sent down for concurrence. Dec 4. Came up concurred.

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Water Works

A communication from the Cochituate Water Board stating that an addition of ten thousand dollars to the appropriation for Water Works will be necessary to carry that Department through the present financial year. Read and referred to the committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Dec 4. Came up concurred.

Second hand articles.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses leave was granted to Martin Quirk to keep a store at 72 Hanover Street for the sale of Second hand articles.

Bryant

Leave was granted to E. Bryant & others to give Concerts at the Melodeon for two weeks upon their paying the sum of ten dollars for such license.

Bryant Wm Kendall Jase Brigham Quincy

On petitions of Walter Bryant that his improved Hose carriage truck may be adopted in this City & James Tolman and others that Concord Street between Washington & Fremont Streets and also Swanston Street may be opened for travel & Ezekiel Kendall and others that Leonard Avenue may be paved & Lewis Rice and others that the work of paving Canale Street may be delayed & M. B. Brigham and others that Malden Street be renumbered & Josiah Quincy and others that Clinton Street and a part of Commercial Street may be renumbered. The Committee on Paving &c. reported that no action is necessary thereon. Read and accepted.

Healey

On petition of Edward Healey for leave to erect a Stable for more than four horses on Eliot Street. The Committee on the Fire Department reported that he have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

On petition of Stephen Smith and others that the gutters in Fremont Street, between Springfield and Vernon Streets, may be paved &c. the Committee on Paving, reported that the prayer of the petitioners has been granted. Accepted. | 601. Dec. 1. 1836. Smith.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on the Fire Department leave was granted to the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company to erect a building for the Stable for more than four horses on Dorchester Avenue. | Dorchester Av. Rail road Stable.

On petition of John A. Cummings and others that Fremont Street may be numbered from Dover Street to Roxbury Line, the Committee on Paving &c. reported that it is inexpedient to undertake the numbering of Fremont Street at the present time. Accepted. | Cummings

On petition of Ebenezer Johnson & others, that Chestnut Street, west of Charles Street, may be paved, the Committee on Paving reported that said Street be paved whenever the abutters thereon will sign an agreement in writing relinquishing all claims for grade damages. Read and accepted. | Johnson Chestnut Street

The Committee on Paving &c. to whom was referred the petition of Hesekiah Drake and others that the Dock at the foot of Summer Street may be filled up, reported a reference of the subject to the whole Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted. | Drake Summer Street dock.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of F. A. French for a change in the conditions of sale in his deed of land on Providence Street, have duly considered the same and would recommend the passage of the accompanying orders. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, | French

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chairman. Ordered: That the conditions contained in a certain agreement given by the city of Boston to John A. French to convey one lot of land on Providence Road, be so far changed as not to forbid the erection of a Stable on said lot for the private use only of the occupant of the house erected on the adjoining lot fronting upon Boylston Road, the exterior walls of which shall be of brick, stone or iron. Also Ordered: That whenever a building is erected on said lot fronting upon Providence Road it shall be three stories in height the exterior walls to be of brick, stone or iron, and to set back five feet from the line of said street, and shall not be used or occupied for any other purpose or in any other way than as a dwelling house, Apothecary Shop, Dry Goods, Grocery, or Provision Store. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 6 1856.

Public Instruction Mayors Address.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred so much of the Mayors Address as relates to the Public Schools report that no action is necessary thereon. Per the Committee, Peter Lodman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred.

Robinson Springfield Road.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Seth Robinson and others for a plank side walk in Springfield Road, have duly considered the same and would recommend the passage of the accompanying order. Per the Committee, Farnham Hammer Chairman. Ordered: That the Superintendent of Public Lands be authorized to cause a plank sidewalk to be laid in Springfield Road from Tremont Road to land belonging to the Boston Lying in Hospital and the expense thereof be paid from the appropriation for Public Lands. Read twice and passed.

Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 6. 1856. | 005.

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The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the order of Dec 1st as to the Ferry Passes for Scholars from Ward Two Report that it is inexpedient for the City to pay the ferry passage of children from Ward Two to the public schools. For the Committee, Robert Cordman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. | Ferry Passes.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the order from the School Committee for the release of the Primary School House in Franklin Place to the City &c. Report that the subject belongs to the Committee on Public Buildings and recommend its reference to said Committee. For the Committee. Robert Cordman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. | Franklin Street Primary School House.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the petition of Edward Everett and others in relation to Bridgman's memorials of Sutton Cemeteries &c. report that the books are not suitable for the Public Schools and recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Robert Cordman, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. | Everett Bridgmans Memorial.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Instruction to whom was referred the order from the School Committee requesting the erection of a new Franklin School House, have considered the subject and report. That the request of the School Committee is based upon the following reasons. The exercises in the recitation rooms of the present school house, which by the arrangement of the building | Franklin School House.

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are necessarily in the front part, on Washington Street, are seriously disturbed, especially in the summer season, by the constant noise of passing vehicles. The study rooms in the rear are too large for the convenient operation of classes. The recitation rooms are also damp and unfit for occupation. The ventilation of the whole building is bad. The thoroughfares in the immediate vicinity are so crowded with coaches, cars and other vehicles as to be dangerous to the younger children of the school, and the locality, generally, is daily becoming more unsuitable for the purposes of a school house. These reasons are satisfactory to your Committee, and it is desirable, in their opinion, that a new school building should be erected on that portion of the reserved public lands designated in the order from the School Committee, provided the present building and so much of the adjacent land as is not necessary to the Primary School House, can be sold for an amount, equivalent to the cost of the new structure. In the opinion of those who have examined the subject at the request of the School Committee, this can be accomplished, so that, if their judgement be correct, the erection of a new Franklin School House will be no more expensive to the City than the retention of the present locality, and a direct advantage would be gained in the taxation of the property, when improved for other purposes. Your Committee are of opinion that a new large building is neither necessary or desirable for the purposes of the school, and recommend that the new building, if one be erected, should be limited to the accommodation of six hundred pupils. If the estimate of cost of a new building and the valuation of the present building and land above referred to, be correct, your Committee are of opinion that the request of the School Committee should be complied with, but as they have no means of determining the character and cost of such a building as the Committee on Public Buildings may decide to erect, they recommend the passage

of the following order. For the Committee, Edward Goldman, Chairman. 605.
Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be requested to furnish Dec. 1. 1856.
plans and estimate the cost of a new Franklin School House to be erected on the reserved lot at the corner of Waltham and Ringgold Streets to accommodate not more than six hundred pupils, and report whether or not the cost will exceed the probable proceeds of the sale of the present building and such land adjacent as is not needed for the purposes of the Primary School House. Read twice and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 4. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 6. 1856.

Whereas Richard Bond has given notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings in Chardon Street, in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that the said street should be widened at the place described in the said notice, by taking land of F. Wiley Edmands, it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Edmands that this Board intend to widen the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street and that Monday, the eighth day of December instant, at four o'clock, P.M. is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Chardon Street. Edmands.

Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Union Park should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to Uriah Ritchie and Ann Ritchie bounded as follows, viz: Southwesterly by the proposed line of widening of Union Park, being a curve of ninety five feet radius, three measuring sixty five feet and 100; westwardly by Union Park Ritchie.

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the present line of the said Park, on a curve of sixty feet radius, turning to the west and 33/100, and Northwardly on the same, on a tangent line forty three feet and 57/100: Containing Two Hundred and three square rod more or less. And Whereas due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City - according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated November 24th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Union Park, as aforesaid, will amount to one hundred and forty two dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Street, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 3d 1856.

Hunt. — Ordered: That the sum of twenty dollars be and the same is hereby refunded to Moses Hunt; said money having been paid by him for an entrance into the Sewer in Charles Street, which sewer he does not now use, owing to a sewer having been laid in River Street, where he is better accommodated and for which he has been assessed. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 3d 1856.

Wagons &c. obstructing Streets. — Ordered: That the Chief of Police be requested to report to the Committee on Licenses the numbers of all carts, wagons, trucks or drays which shall be found loading or unloading in a manner not authorized by ordinance, or which shall be found standing in places not assigned to them.

Ordered: That there be paid to | 607.
Mary Ann Ellis the sum of five hundred dollars for damages sus- | Dec 1 1856.
tained by the change of grade of Eustis Street upon her fencing her lots | Ellis
to the same to the satisfaction of the City Collector and upon her giving
to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and
expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same
be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read twice and rejected.
Whereupon Alderman Plummer moved a reconsideration of said vote, which
motion was laid on the table.

The order submitted at the last | River Street
meeting of the Board, for the collection of the assessments for the construc- | Sewer.
tion of the Common Sewer in River Street, was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 3d 1856

On motion of Alderman Plummer | Richardson
the order to pay Thomas Richardson four hundred and sixty dollars for
land taken to widen Sea Street was taken from the table, and after a long
debate thereon, Alderman Plummer moved to strike out all after the word
"Ordered" which motion was laid on the table.

The Joint Standing Committee | Boston
on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of the Boston Agricul- | Agricultural
tural Society for renewal of their lease of South End Lands have duly con- | Society.
sidered the same and would recommend the passage of the accompanying
order. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Ordered: That
the land heretofore occupied by the Boston Agricultural Society be leased
to them for one year upon the payment of One thousand dollars and
on the following conditions, viz: First. That the City of Boston through its
proper Authorities or Agents shall at any and all times have the right to
enter and survey said premises, lay out or widen streets and squares on,

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or through the same, the lessees to remove, or change the location of the fences and buildings at their own expense. Second- That the City by its proper authorities or agents at any time during the further term for which said lease shall be extended, shall have and retain the right to sell any portion of said premises if it be deemed expedient, and give immediate possession thereof to the purchasers. Third. The lessees shall have the right to remain in possession of the residue of said premises during the continuance of their lease if any portion shall be sold as aforesaid, or they may relinquish the whole premises and be released from further payment of rent. Read once.

Harrison Avenue Petition

On petition of Ephraim Allen and others. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Harrison Avenue from Beach to Essex Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Friend Street Petition

On petition of George W. Gerrish & others. Ordered. That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Friend Street from Sudbury Street to Merrimack Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Aspinwall Place Street

On petition of Samuel Aspinwall and others. Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to repave Sheafe Street, and make such changes in the grade of said

street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections in the line of said street as he shall deem dangerous: Also, to close all openings into said street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once. | ordy. Dec 21st 36.

Ordered, That there be paid to Thomas Cairns the sum of two hundred dollars being in full settlement for stone materials used in building Fort Street culvert. Read once. | Cairns.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to Public Lands, having duly considered the subject, Report, That the care, management and sale of the Public Lands demands the establishment of a more permanent and stable organization than can be anticipated from Committees annually elected by the City Council. Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance. For the Committee Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read once. (See City Document No 65.) | Lands

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby directed to purchase if it can reasonably be done a suitable site for a Hand Room in Ward No 1. The expence is to be charged to the appropriation for Public Buildings. Read once. | Hand No 1. Hand Room.

The election of a Secretary for the Joint Standing and Special Committees of the City Council which was specially assigned for this afternoon was laid upon the table. | Committees. City

Adjourned to Friday next at ten o'clock A.M.

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At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Friday the fifth day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Dickson and Dingley.

French & Co.

Petition of William E. French & Co. for renewal of license as Manufacturers of Liquor at No. 6 Essex Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses.

Vaughn Williams Court.

Remonstrance of Charles O. Vaughn & others against the proposed construction of a Sewer in Williams Court. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

Sidewalks in equal openings.

Communication from the Chief of Police representing to the Board that there are very many openings in the Sidewalks in this City which are illegally constructed, and asking instructions on the subject. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Robbins

Petition of James M. Robbins & others, for payment for land taken to widen Summer Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets.

Sewer.

The Ordinance reported by the Committee on Public Lands, to whom was referred so much of the Mayor's Address as relates to that subject, which ordinance was read once at the last meeting of the Board, came up for a second reading and was referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 11. Came up concurred.

Station House No. 5.

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby directed to suspend further action during the present Municipal Year, under an order passed October 15.

1856 for the rebuilding or repair of Station House District No 5. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 5. 1856. | 611. Dec. 5. 1856.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the paving of Sharp Street came up for a second reading and was laid on the table. | Sharp Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the paving of a portion of Bristol Street between Dudley and Merrimac Streets, came up for a second reading and was laid on the table. | Bristol Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the paving of a portion of Harrison Avenue from Beach to Essex Streets, came up for a second reading and was laid on the table. | Harrison Avenue

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Thomas Cairns the sum of two hundred dollars for aid in filling First Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 5. 1856. | Cairns.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board directing the Committee on Public Buildings to provide a new Ward Room for Ward No 8, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. | Ward Room for Ward 8.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board that the land on the South Bay (so called), recently used by the Boston Agricultural Society, be leased to said Society for one year on certain conditions, was read a second time and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 15. 1856. | Boston Agricultural Society. South Bay.

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Paving appropriation State of

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving report to the Board the several and aggregate amounts expended during the present Municipal Year in Paving and Grading of Streets, giving in detail the amounts under the several orders of the Board, whether of the present or past Boards: also report the amount required to execute any and all orders which have passed the Board and have not been executed and completed. Read twice and passed.

East Boston Free Bridge.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was entrusted the supervision of the erection of a Bridge between East Boston and Chelsea have attended to the duties assigned them and Report: That the said Bridge is now completed:- and its construction is satisfactory to your Committee, and to the City Engineer as may be seen by his accompanying report. The papers conveying the title of said Bridge to the City have been examined and pronounced correct by the City Solicitor: Your Committee therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying order, which is consonant in its terms to the agreement made by the city with the Proprietors of said Bridge in the year 1855. For the Committee, Eben Jackson, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of Forty thousand dollars, the same to be appropriated to the purchase of the East Boston Free Bridge, as authorized by an order of the City Council passed Oct. 11. 1855. and by an Act of the Legislature passed April 14th 1856. Passed in Common Council. Yeas. 40 Nays. none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Calhow, Cheever, Codman, Kendall, Plummer, Rich and Wightman. 9. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 5. 1856.

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Monday the eighth day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen

Forty Seven Jurors were drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court. — Jurors.

Petition of Francis Jackson & others for the use of Faneuil Hall January 1. 1857, for an Anti Slavery gathering Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. — Jackson.

Petition of W. L. G. Hunt & others that Worcester Street sidewalks between Washington Street and Roxbury Avenue be laid with plank. Referred to the Committee on Paving. — Hunt.

Petition of John Sears for leave to exhibit his wild animals in Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses — Sears.

Petition of Andrew Farrington to be paid for land taken to widen Federal Street & of David Mudden to be paid for damages arising from the extension of Friend Street. Referred to the Committee on Streets — Farrington. Mudden.

On nomination by the Mayor, William O. Cheswell and Edward A. Rose were appointed Constables of this City — Constables.

The Committee on Paving would respectfully report, that there will be needed for completing the Albany Road Bridge, in addition to the amount already appropriated, the sum of Four thousand dollars, & they respectfully ask for an additional appropriation of that amount. For the Committee Otis Rich Chairman. Read and — Albany Road Bridge.

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referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Dec. 11. 1856

Mason

Petition of William P. Mason for abatement of taxes assessed upon him for certain lands at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence Dec. 11. Came up concurred.

Parker

Petition of Eliza Parker's heirs for abatement of taxes assessed upon them for certain lands at South Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors' Department. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 11. Came up concurred.

Roberts.

Petition of J. D. Roberts that he may receive deeds of land purchased by him of the City on Washington and Chester Streets. Referred to the Committee on Public Grounds with full power. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 11. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Decr 15. 1856.

Fire Dep^t Engineers election of

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be requested to consider the expediency of amending the ordinance in relation to the Fire Department so as to provide that previous to the Annual Election of the Chief and Assistant Engineers the members of the Department may nominate to the City Council suitable candidates for those offices; or, that a part of said Engineers may be elected as at present and a part by the Fire Department subject to the approval of the City Council Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 9. 1856.

Chief engineer Com^e on

Ordered: That a Committee consisting of one from each Ward on the part of this Branch be appointed with such as the Board of Aldermen may join, to consider and report what action should be taken in relation to the election of a Chief en-

gineer of the Fire Department, and if they deem it expedient to recom- | 613.
mend some person or persons for that office at the next meeting of the | Dec. 8 1856.
Common Council on Thursday evening next: and Messrs Washburn,
Kinsley, Emmons, Russell, Hall, Real Jenkins, Wm. Gardner, Wm.
Mason and Cassidy were appointed on said Committee. Passed in Com-
mon Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, and
Aldermen Shaw, Tyler, Lewis, Charles Coleman, Emmons
and Gardner were joined. Approved by the Mayor, Dec 9 1856.

The Committee on Boston Harbor to | East Boston
whom was referred the petition of the East Boston and the Copps | Ferries
Ferries, for compensation for services rendered the city, in keeping a | and b
portion of the Harbor open during the past winter. Report: We have
read the petitioners in regard to their services in keeping the harbor
free from ice during the severe winter last past, & also the statements
of the late Harbor Master concurring therein, and concur with them
in regard to the importance of the services, we do not find any prece-
dent which should guide the Council in the matter, but in view of
the importance to us as a commercial city that keeping during a safe
and unobstructed passage out and into the harbor would recommend
the passage of the subjoined order. For the Committee, Isham Bonney,
Chairman of Com. B.H. Ordered: That there be paid to the East Boston,
and the Copps Ferry Companies, each the sum of six hundred dollars,
and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Boston Harbor,
said sum being for services rendered in keeping the Harbor open in the
winter of 1855-56. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence.
Dec. 26 came up non-concurred.

The joint special Committee to | Lot on Sa
whom was referred the subject of the purchase of the property of the | and C

616. Boston Gas Light Company to the city, have considered the same, and
Dec. 8. 1856. submit the following Report: The Committee think that the subject of supplying the citizens with gas and the cost of the same are matters of great interest, but they have not known one member of the committee has taken great pains to gather information in relation to it, even enabled to enable them to put a subject of so much importance before the people, so that they could act understandingly upon it. This subject, in the opinion of the Committee, would require a more careful and elaborate investigation than can be entered upon under the present order and therefore they would report it inexpedient to take any definite action at the present time. For the committee, Alex Rich. Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 11. Came up concurred.

Chardon Street. No person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Chardon Street by taking land of J. Riley & others, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

Constable's Bond. The Bond of Charles K. Moore a Constable of the City was approved by the Board.

Conley. Division Street & C. C. Rail Road. The Committee on Paving on the petitions of James Conley and others, W. C. Jenkins and others, J. Foster and others for the opening of Division Street, would report the accompanying order. For the Committee. Alex Rich. Chairman. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the Old Colony and Fall River Rail Road Corporation to remove all obstructions from Division Street within seven days of the date of the service of this order upon said Corporation, and if said obstructions are not removed at the expiration of this period, the said Chief of Police is further di-

ected to cause the obstructions to be removed from said Division Road.
Read accepted and the order passed.

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Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and occupiers on Cove Road, from East to Beach Street, to cause their sidewalks to be laid with brick or flat stones before the fifteenth day of April 1857.

Cove Road.

On petition of Samuel Hulch and others Ordered, That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Cove Street from East Street to Beach Road, and make such changes in the grade of said Street as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Street as he shall deem dangerous; also, to close all openings into said Street which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Hulch & Cove Road

Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to notify the owners and occupiers on Utica Road from Sixth to Beach Road, to cause their sidewalks to be laid with brick or flat stones before the fifteenth of April 1857.

Utica Road.

On petition of Franklin Evans and others Ordered That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to grade Utica Road from Sixth to Beach Street, and make such changes in the grade of said Road as he shall deem necessary, and remove all such projections on the line of said Road as he shall deem dangerous, and to close all openings into said Road which are not secured in accordance with the Ordinances of the City. Read once.

Evans & Utica Road.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses, William C. French & Co were appointed Manufacturers of Spirituous Liquors in Essex Road pursuant to law.

French & Co Manufacturers of Liquors.

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Lincoln.

The committee on Streets to whom was referred the petition of Aaron Lincoln & to be paid for damages sustained from the extension of Friend Street reported that as the petition-er has been paid for said damages by his landlord Jonathan Parker, no action is required in the matter. Read and accepted.

Eskine.

Murphy.

On the petitions of R. Eskine & others, to be paid for damage occasioned by change of grade in Meridian Street and of James Murphy to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in K. and Second Streets, the Committee on Paving re-ported leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Turbett Parker Worrell and Athens Streets

On the petitions of G. W. A. Turbett & others that Worrell Street between College and Perrin Streets be opened; of Capt. R. Parker and others that Athens Street may remain closed as heretofore. The Committee on Paving reported that no action is necessa-ry thereon. Read and accepted.

Kendall Border Street.

On the petition of D. Y. Kendall & others, that Border St. between the Bridge and Lexington Street, may be graded, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Warren. Metropolitan Rail Road

The Committee on Paving on the peti-tion of the Metropolitan Railroad Company for the extension of their track-section in Boston; and of George W. Warren & Co. and others, for the same purpose, would report, that inasmuch as the subject of an extension of the track of said Company is before the Board of Aldermen by an order re-ported on this Committee, they deem any further action on their petitions as unnecessary. For the Committee Chi. Rich Chairman. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving on the order of the fifth instant would respectfully report that it is impracticable at this time to comply with the requirements of said order in detail, but would submit the following statement. The sum appropriated for Paving, grading and repairs of Streets for the financial year 1856-57 was one Hundred and Sixty thousand dollars of which amount there has been expended one hundred thirty three thousand one hundred dollars and forty two cents leaving a balance of twenty six thousand eight hundred nine ty nine dollars and fifty eight cents. Of this amount it is estimated that twenty thousand dollars will be needed to meet outstanding liabilities. The following orders which passed the Board of Aldermen last year have been executed; paving Cotting Street from Prescott to Bath Street grading Harrison Avenue from Malden to Brookline Street paving Sudbury Street from Portland to Court Street paving Gutters in Chapman Street grading M. Street from Eighth to Ninth Street. The following orders which passed the Board of Aldermen last year have been partly executed grading Eighth Street from Dorchester to K Street, and K to Goldand Street, grading Shawmut Avenue at Roxbury Line; grading of Lincoln Street; grading of Second Street; grading Boundry Street to the line of Fifth Street, and Fifth Street from Dorchester to Boundry Street; to open First Street between Band C Streets by building a Sea Wall and filling up the said Street; grading Fifth Street from M. to K Street. Under an order passed in 1853 Second Street between K and C Street has been partly graded. Under an order passed in 1853 the work of grading Fremont Street between Dover Street and the Roxbury Line has been prosecuted but is not yet completed. Under an order which passed the Board of Aldermen this year, the work of paving Church Street has been nearly completed; as also that of the raising of the buildings and grading of part of Fayette Street. The following orders which passed this year have been

partly executed_ grading Worcester Avenue, grading St. Street, grading eighth Street from Mercer to Winchester Street; grading Ninth Street from M. to K Street, Square Street from Peter & Bennington Street, First Street at J. Street, paving Chestnut Street with Nicholson's pavement. Orders have been passed by this Board of Aldermen to grave Elm Street, from Federal to Oliver Street_ to grade Sullivan Street upon certain conditions_ to build a cesspool in Emerald Street and to grave South Cedar Street upon certain conditions but no work has been prosecuted under their authority. An order passed the Board of Aldermen Dec. 27th 1835 that the Committee on Paving grave to the filling of N. or Midland Street, Baldwin Street and Hanover Street which has not as yet been done. The order which passed the Board of Aldermen Dec. 24th 1835. to grave Slate Street on the southerly side of the Old State House with granite flat stones, has not been executed. To meet the liabilities already incurred it will be seen that there will remain only a balance of some sixty eight hundred dollars to meet the expenses of the department during the remaining part of the financial year. The ten thousand dollars which has been voted to defray the Fayette Street expenses will, it is believed by your Committee be sufficient to meet the expenses of the department during the winter months with the addition of the balance above specified. For the Committee. Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Johnson
Samuel Hall.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Samuel Hall, leave was granted to William Johnson & others to occupy Samuel Hall on the 25th day of December instant, & building a Store therein.

Bucker,
Thos
Russell.

The Committee on Paving, on the petitions of Bucker & Brewster, Samuel Thos and Edward Russell, for grade damages, would report that no action is necessary thereon, as

the matter with the several parties has been adjusted. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. | Dec. 8. 1856.

On motion of Alderman Rich, the papers in relation to the Middlesex Rail Road location were taken from the table and were referred to the Committee on Paving with instructions to report for the consideration of the Board an order locating said road in Haymarket Square. | Middlesex Rail Road.

Remonstrance of the Boston and Maine Rail Road Company against the location of the Middlesex Rail Road in Haymarket Square, was filed this day and was referred to the Committee on Paving. | Middlesex Rail Road.

Thursday next at eleven and a half o'clock A.M. was assigned for the choice of Superintendent of East Boston Free Bridge & of Boston Free Bridge vice Samuel Jenkins, deceased, and for filling any other vacancies in said department which may occur. | East Boston & Boston Free Bridges Supts.

Aldermen Plummer and Cheever were appointed a Committee to examine the returns of votes given in this day for a Mayor and twelve Aldermen. | Vote. Com^te on

Ordered: That the Committee on Paving be and they are hereby requested to cause Summer Street to be re-numbered. Read once. | Summer Street

Ordered: That there be paid to the heirs of George Parkman the sum of eleven hundred dollars for land taken to widen Chardon Street upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out | Parkman.

and widening Streets. Read once.

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Ordered: That there be paid to W.

M. Bryant

M. Bryant the sum of Three hundred dollars for his damages sustained by the extension of Friend Steet Feb 28. 1855. upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension on Friend Steet. Read once.

Mc Kay

Monmouth St.

On the petition of William Mc Kay and others Ordered. That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to furnish and set edgestone and pave the gutters in Monmouth Steet, the owners agreeing in their petition to pay for the edgestone in front of their respective estates. Read once.

Hall.

Ordered: That there be paid to Samuel Hall the sum of Six Hundred dollars for damages occasioned by the change of grade of Marginal Steet, upon his proving his title to the same to the satisfaction of the City Solicitor and upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages costs and expenses in consequence of said change of grade; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for Paving &c. Read once.

Goodwin

West Cedar Steet.

On petition of William H. Goodwin and others Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to pave the gutters in West Cedar Steet from Revere to Southac Steet and macadamize the said part of West Cedar Steet. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eleven o'Clock. A. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the eleventh day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen except Alderman Wellman.

Petition of William Cook for appointment as an Auctioneer of this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Cook

Petition of Reuben Leonard, Jr. for compensation for damages occasioned to his horse and wagon falling through the draw of the Mt. Washington Avenue Bridge, read and referred to the Committee on Bridges. Leonard.

The Committee on Public Lands reported to the Board that the appropriation for that Department is exhausted and that the sum of Fifty thousand dollars will be required for the present financial year: read and referred to the Committee on Finance. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Public Lands

Petition of Patrick Clark to be paid for damages to his horse from a defect in Boston Street. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred. Clark

On petition of W. L. G. Hunt and others that the sidewalks on Worcester Street be paved with granite, the Committee on Paving reported a reference of the subject to the Committee on Public Lands. Read accepted and referred accordingly. Sent down for concurrence Came up concurred. Hunt Worcester Street.

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Provisions sale of

The Joint Special Committee appointed under the order of June 26th last, to report what modifications can be made in the Ordinances regulating the sale of Provisions in this city, so as more effectually to secure the interests of the purchasers thereof have considered the matter, to report a sentence of the subject to the next city Council. For the Committee Wm F. Curtis, Chairman pro tem. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Came up concurred.

Boston Free Bridge Supt

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of the Boston Free Bridge in place of Jeremiah Jenkins, deceased, it appeared that the whole number of ballots was 11. Necessary for a choice 6 Ebenezer G. Freeman had 5. Ebenezer G. Freeman 1. Moses Pitfield 4. no choice. A motion to postpone further action on this subject to Monday next having been lost the Board proceeded to a second ballot which exhibited the following result, viz: whole number of ballots 10 Necessary to a choice 6 Ebenezer G. Freeman had 7. Moses Pitfield 3. Said Freeman was chosen on the part of this Board. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred.

East Boston Free Bridge Supt. Salary.

Ordered: That the Salary of the Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge be fixed at the rate of three hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 22. 1856.

E. B. Free Bridge Supt. chosen.

The ballots having been taken and counted for a Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge it appeared that William F. Bullis was chosen to hold his office during the present municipal Year and until another is elected in his stead. Sent down for concurrence.

On the petition of George Hare | 023.
to be paid for damages sustained in a change of grade in Congress | Dec. 15 1856
Street the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner was leave | Hare
to withdraw. Accepted.

On the petition of John Sherd | Sarsfield
Jr and others respecting the grade of Fayette Street and requesting | Fayette Street.
that their house No 15. Fayette Street may be raised the Committee on
Paving reported that no action thereon is required at the desire of the
petitioners. Read and accepted.

The order submitted at the | Monmouth
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to set the edge | Street
stone and pave the gutters in Monmouth Street was read a second
time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec.r 15. 1856.

The order submitted at the last | Utica
meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave Utica | Street.
Street, from Fifth Street to Beech Street, was read a second time and
passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15. 1856.

The order submitted at the | West Cedar
last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave the | Street
gutters in West Cedar Street from Seven to Fourth Street, was read a se-
cond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 15. 1856.

The order submitted at the last | Hall
meeting of the Board to pay Samuel Hall Fifty Hundred dollars on
account of the change of grade in Marginal Street was read a sec-
ond time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15. 1856.

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Bryant.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay H. H. Bryant three hundred dollars on account of the extension of Friend Street was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 15. 1856.

Cove Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to pave with Stone from East Street to Bach Street, was read a second time & passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15. 1856.

Parkman

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay the heirs of George Parkman eleven hundred dollars on account of the widening of Church Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 15. 1856

Summer Street.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the committee on Paving to cause Summer Street to be unencumbered was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 15. 1856.

Broadway R.R. Co. vs. Mt. Beacon. Dor. Mt. R.R. Co. vs. Burnewell. Clifton. Teazie. Allen vs. Barnard. Fleming.

The Committee on Paving to whom were referred the petitions of the Broadway Rail Road Company for an addition to their location at South Boston. of John Mt. Beacon to be paid for a change of grade in Fairmont Avenue. of the Dorchester Mt. Pleasant Railroad Company for leave to construct a single track through F. and other Streets. of John R. Burnewell and others that sidewalks be set on Marion Street between Eutaw and Monmouth Streets. of John Clifton and others that New Street at East Boston may be accepted. of Joseph A. Teazie and others that Porter Street be accepted. of C. F. Allen to be paid for damages arising from the change of grade in Silver Street. of Edward H. Barnard to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Sixth Street. of Patrick F. Fleming to be paid for

change of grade in Fourth Street of John Kenney to be paid for change of grade in Fifth Street of D. Brown to be paid for change of grade in Fourth Street of John Numan to be paid for change of grade in Fifth Street reported that said several subjects is referred to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and laid on the table.

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Kenney, Brown Numan.

The Committee appointed to examine the returns of votes for a Mayor and twelve Aldermen for the ensuing Municipal Year having attended to that duty report that the returns from the several Wards are correctly made out and recorded in the book kept for that purpose from which it appears that Alexander H. Rice having a plurality of votes has been duly elected Mayor of this City for the ensuing Municipal Year: and that William Brown, Solomon Carter, Benjamin James, Otis Rich, James Tuttle, Joseph M. Wightman, John T. Pingree, Oliver Frost, Samuel Hatch, Lemuel Coulter, Silas Peirce, and Timothy A. Sumner having a plurality of votes have been duly elected Aldermen of the City for said Municipal Year. In the Committee, Jeremiah Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted and the City Clerk was directed to notify the Mayor and Aldermen elect that they have been duly chosen.

Votes for Mayor & Aldermen.

The Bond of William O. Cheswell a Constable of the City, was examined and approved by the Board.

Constables Bond

Ordered: That the license granted to Henry Willard to exhibit Dramatic Performances at the National Theatre until July 1st next be and the same is hereby revoked on account of nonfulfilment of the conditions thereof. Read twice and passed.

Willard. National Theatre.

On petition of James Pilgrim for a license to exhibit Dramatic Performances at the National Theatre the same

Pilgrim

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Special Police Officers. Report of Com^e

mittee on Licenses reported that the prayer of the petitioner be granted. Read and accepted.

The Joint Standing committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor dated July 21st 1856 suggesting that the Ordinance in relation to the Police Department be amended so as to confer distinctly upon the Mayor and Aldermen power to appoint Special Police Officers, reported at length that the appointment of Special Police Officers should for the reasons therein suggested be discontinued or at least seldom exercised. Said in the table and ordered to be printed. (See City Document No 73).

Adjourned to Monday next, at four o'Clock P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the Fifteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Joseph Story and others for the use of Faneuil Hall January 1st 1837, wherein to hold a children's festival. Referred to the Committee on Faneuil Hall. 624. Dec. 13. 1836 Story

Petition of William H. Hughes for leave to extend Pedestrian Rail at the South Entrance on Tremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Hughes

Petition of Isaac Hall to be heard in relation to a License to keep an Intelligence Office which was granted to his partner J. G. Spalding at 22 Tremont Street. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Hall

Petition of Theodore W. Shallon for appointment as an Auctioneer of this City. Referred to the Committee on Licenses. Shallon

Petition of Charles G. Kurtz & others that a portion of Newton Street be lighted with Gas. Referred to the Committee on Lamps. Kurtz.

Petition of William Ropes & others that a portion of the Western, Beaver and other Streets may be accepted as public highways. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Ropes

Petition of Charles A. Riggin that his sidewalk in Marshall Street may be relaid. Referred to the Committee on Paving. Riggin

Petition of Ansel Carr for an extension of the Clark Street Sewer. Referred to the Committee on Sewers. Carr

Petition of Henry Tarbell for an abatement of his taxes. Referred to the Committee on the Assessors of Taxes. Tarbell

630. ment. Sent down for concurrence. December 13. Came up concurred.

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O'Connor

Petition of James O'Connor for abatement of taxes. Referred to the committee on the Taxes Department. Sent down for concurrence Dec. 10. Came up concurred.

North Market Street Lots. Brown claims. Town.

The Joint Standing Committee on Claims who were empowered to make a settlement of the Brown suits, so called, have attended to that duty, and respectfully submit the following Report: It appears that in the year 1845, two citizens of Vermont, named George W. Brown and Josiah Brown, commenced suits against several persons in this city, and also against the city itself, in which they sought to recover a piece of land, formerly situated on the old town dock and which the city purchased of Samuel Hitchcock Brown and others in 1824, when the improvements were made in that vicinity, connected with Tennis Court Street. The City purchased this estate by what was supposed to be a clear title at the time, and over a portion of it laid out Canton and North Market Streets and over the remainder laid out Stone lots, which were sold by deeds of warranty. The purchasers of this lot upon the above mentioned suits were brought, called on the city to defend them which the latter at once undertook to do and have, so far as possible protected their purchases from all annoyance on account of the suits. The title of the city to this estate was derived from Samuel W. Brown, his brother William Brown, and his two sisters, Debrah C. Tilden and Sally Brown. The estate was formerly owned by their father, Deacon William Brown, who left a will: and it was upon the true construction of this will that all the trouble has arisen. At the time of the purchase by the city in 1824, it was generally supposed that the estate was devised to Samuel W. Brown for life and after his

death that it went to the legal heirs of the testator; and consequently, the quitclaim deeds of Samuel L. and his brothers and sisters would make a valid conveyance. The plaintiffs are sons of Samuel L. Brown, and their claim is based upon the idea that their father took a life estate and that after his death it passed to his own heirs, instead of his father's heirs; and that thus his sons, being his only heirs, were entitled to the estate. The case was twice argued before the Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts by Joseph Bell and Nathan Dow for the plaintiffs and by Charles P. Curtis, Benjamin R. Curtis, and F. W. Chandler for the defendants, and that court delivered an opinion adverse to the plaintiffs, which is reported in the third volume of Cushing's Reports page 349. The plaintiffs then brought new actions, called "writs of right" in the Circuit Court of the United States, and the case was there argued by Rufus Choate and Nathan Dow for the plaintiffs, and by F. W. Chandler, then city solicitor, for the defendants. In that court an opinion was pronounced in favor of the plaintiffs, and the defendants carried the case to the Supreme Court of the United States at Washington, where it was argued, in the year 1854, by Mr. Dow, and Mr. Lawrence of Washington, for the plaintiffs, and by Sidney Bartlett and Mr. Chandler for the defendants. The opinion in that court was in favor of the plaintiffs, in the suit which was carried there. There were ten suits in all, and the second case came on for trial at Newport in Rhode Island in September last, and was tried by Messrs Dow and Prince for the plaintiffs, and by Judge Greene and Mr. Chandler for the defendants. After a week's labor, in which every point was fought that could possibly avail on either side, the jury were unable to agree on a verdict, although the Court distinctly ruled the law in favor of the plaintiffs. The Committee understand, that the counsel for the City have always been in favor of compromising this claim, if it could be fairly done; and for several reasons. In the first place, the shape of the land clai-

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med was such as completely to ruin several large warehouses on North Market Street, and to take away a very valuable portion of that West end of Winton Street. As the City had sold by deeds of warranty, it would be bound to make up the loss to the purchasers. In the next place, when the city undertakes to sell land by warranty, good faith requires that immediate, and so far as possible, effectual measures should be taken, to protect those who have purchased. That a settlement of this matter has not been previously made, has not been owing to the lack of a disposition to effect it; but from the fact that the claimants demanded a much larger sum than the City Authorities thought they might in justice, under the circumstances of the case. But since the last trial at Newport, where the jury were unable to agree on a verdict, there seemed to be a more reasonable prospect of a just adjustment, than the Committee have not thought it prudent to disclose. The matter has received most careful attention and mature consideration; and at length a composition has been effected which the Committee think satisfactory. The Committee do not regard it as expedient at the present time to enter into all the details and facts in the settlement which they have effected. The City Council will undoubtedly be satisfied that an adjustment of a complicated matter, made by their own Committee, with the concurrence and advice of their counsel is a judicious one, although it may not be expedient to make a minute statement of all the considerations upon which it is based. The Committee are satisfied that the amount to be paid is less, deducting interest, than the City Authorities would have paid several years ago, if a settlement could have been then made. They will add, in conclusion, that in pursuance of the settlement, verdicts are to be immediately taken by consent of the defendants, and the claimants have executed deeds of the land in dispute, in the presence of an agent sent to Vermont for that purpose. The whole has been done under the eye of the counsel who have

heretofore employed by the city in these cases. The amount to be paid under 63
the settlement which has been effected, as above stated, is twenty thousand Dec. 15. 1856.
four hundred seventy dollars and twenty seven cents and the Committee learn
from the Auditor that there are no funds at his order to meet this claim
so that it will be necessary to make provision therefor. The Committee there-
fore would respectfully recommend the passage of the accompanying
order. All which is respectfully submitted. For the Committee, James
Cheever, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is
authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, Loan.
a sum not exceeding twenty thousand five hundred dollars, the same
to be applied to the settlement of the claim of Loan and others a-
gainst the city, and others, in compliance with the report of the Joint
Standing Committee on Claims dated 10th instant. In Common Council.
Read accepted and the order passed. Yeas 16. Nays none. Came up for
concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Bowles, Cal-
low, Cheever, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich and Wait-
man. 11. Nays. none. Approved by the Mayor, December 15. 1856.

The Committee to whom was re- Fire
ferred the order of December 4. 1856. in relation to the election of a Chief Department
Engineer of the Fire Department in the place of our late esteemed Chief Chief
Engineer, Elisha Smith, Jr. deceased, beg leave to report as follows. The engineer
Committee on the tenth day of the present month were duly convened, seventeen of the nineteen members being present. They recommend to the City Council that they proceed now to the election of a Chief Engineer of the Fire Department. They also unanimously recommend George W. Bird, now one of the Assistant Engineers, for the office of Chief Engineer. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Accepted in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. - Proceeding to the

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Common Council having elected to-wit George W. Bird as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department in place of Elisha Smith, Jr deceased, said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having been taken & counted it appeared that the said George W. Bird was unanimously elected in concurrence.

Broadway rail road charter.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the subject of accepting the charter of the Broadway Rail Road Company, have considered the matter, and recommend the passage of the accompanying order. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Ordered, That the Act of the Legislature incorporating the Broadway Rail Road Company, being chapter 454 of the Statutes of 1854, be and the same is hereby accepted by the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 27. 1856.

Appropriation incidentals

Communication from the Auditor of Accounts stating that an addition will be necessary to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses &c was referred to the Committee on Finance in concurrence.

Chief Engineer. Supt. Free Bridge Plummer.

Ordered: That the salaries of Elisha Smith, Jr. late Chief engineer of the Fire Department and of Samuel Perkins late Superintendent of the North Free Bridge be paid up to the end of the present quarter. Ordered also that the sum of thirty five dollars be paid to Joshua F. Plummer for his services as substitute during the six weeks illness of Assistant Messenger Hurd. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, December 1st. 1856.

Bills to pay

Ordered: That the following Bills for services & supplies furnished to the City by members of the Government be au-

dited and paid, provided they are duly appvved, and allowed by the 635.
Committee on Accounts_ viz: George Swann Two hundred twenty two Dec. 15. 1856.
dollars and fifty three cents; Julian C. Mason, sixty four dollars & fifteen
cents; Samuel Gatch three bills amounting to two hundred fifty three
dollars and eight cents. Passed in common Council, came up for con-
currence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 17. 1856.

A message was received from the Convention
common Council proposing a Convention of both Branches of the City proposed
Council on Thursday next at noon and a committee_ viz: Mr. for the
purpose of fixing the time of the Meeting for the ensuing year, which and
this Board concurred in the said proposition.

The Committee on Finance Charles Street
having duly considered the communication of the Committee on Paving, Fire Bridge
relating to the Fire Bridge in continuation of Charles Street, with Document Swan
No 63. would respectfully recommend to the City Council the passage of
the orders enclosed. By the Committee, Rob.t Swann, Chairman. Ordered:
That the order of the 21st of Oct. 1856, authorizing a loan of fifteen hund.d
and dollars for building a Fire Bridge along the line of North Charles Street,
and the order of Nov.r 10th relating to said appropriation_ be and they
are hereby rescinded. Ordered: That the Treasurer be, and he hereby is
authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the
sum of twenty one thousand dollars and that the same be appropriated
to the construction of a Fire Bridge in continuation of Charles Street. Read
in Common Council, Yeas 13. Nays 0. Came up for concurrence. Read and
concurred. Yeas_ Aldermen Brown, Bowley, Brown, Chester, Coltman,
Dingley, Dickson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich, Tyndman, H. Taylor. Ap-
proved by the Mayor Dec. 17. 1856.

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Appropriations transfers of

The Committee on Finance having duly considered the communication from the committee on Paving of the 28th Nov and that of the Cochituate Water Board of the first instant, concurring in and additional appropriation of ten thousand dollars, have duly considered the subjects thus referred to them, and have voted to recommend to the City Council the enclosed order, authorizing a transfer of appropriations to meet the respective cases. For the committee, Alex H. Rice, Mayor. Ordered: That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of existing appropriations, viz: From Unliquidated claims to Paving, ten thousand dollars. From Sewers to Water Works, ten thousand dollars. Read in Common Council. Yeas 38, Nays none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas, Aldermen Bonney, Crowley, Cushing, Shaw, Goodman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer Rich, Wightman, 11. Nays none. Approved by the Mayor, Dec 17. 1856.

East Boston Free Bridge

The Common Council having elected Abner Knight as Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge, thereby non concurring with this Branch in the choice of Wm H. Battis, said action came up for concurrence. and the ballots having been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that Wm H. Battis was again elected by this Board. Sent down for concurrence.

Primary School House Hale

A communication from the School Committee surrendering to the City Council the Primary School House Hale on Cedham, Worcester and Springfield Streets, was referred to the Committee on Public Buildings in concurrence.

Clark & others Burial Grounds

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of E. H. Clark and others

that the street on the easterly side of Franklin Square may be continued 637
from Newton Street to Concord Street, also as relates to an order passed the Dec. 15. 1856
City Council August 11th authorizing the Committee should they deem expe-
dient to remove the vacant tombs on the eastside of the rear wall of the
South Burial Ground, provided the Committee cause a substantial granite
wall to be erected in place of said tombs, would respectfully submit the
following Report: That they have caused the vacant tombs to be removed
the material to be disposed of, also, that a contract has been made for the
erection of a granite wall which together with the extension of the street lead-
ing from Franklin Square to Concord Street will be completed by April 1st
1857. For the Committee, Farnham Rummer, Chairman. Read and accepted.
Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred.

The Committee on Ordinances Smith.
to whom was referred an order passed May 26. 1856, instructing the Com- Peak.
mittee to amend or repeal Section 114 of the Ordinance in relation to Funeral Cars.
Health; and also the petitions of Franklin Smith and John Peak for lib- Health
erty to use their own Cars for funerals within the City, would respectfully Ordinance.
offer the following Report: On referring to the Section alluded to, the Com-
mittee find, that the undertakers are required to use certain funeral
cars owned by the City and in the charge of the City Registrar. These
cars have been so long built that they are not only objectionable in their
appearance, but they are destitute of many of those improvements and
conveniencies which have been adopted in the private hearses. A large
proportion of the interments being made in the various cemeteries out
of the City, for which private cars are allowed to be used, renders the
calls for the cars of the City comparatively few; and as a number of
petitions have been presented and applications made for permission
to use the private cars belonging to the undertakers for funerals in the

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City the Committee believe that a revision of the Ordinance under consideration may be advantageously made, by which a considerable portion of the expense of storage and care of the City cars may be saved and the public better accommodated without any increase of expense. An objection has been urged against the use of private cars based upon the idea that if they were allowed the tendency would be to introduce the elaborate and expensive vehicles such as are used in some other cities, and even in the house and funeral trappings make a public distinction between the rich and the poor. To obviate this the Committee propose that all the fees for funerals in which private cars are used shall be the same amount as heretofore allowed, and that all private cars before being licensed shall be subject to the approval of the Committee on Cemeteries. This will they believe prevent any extravagant or unseemly display and tend to preserve that order and propriety in the arrangement of funerals which has ever characterized our City. The Committee would also recommend another amendment which is not comprehended in the order and which in their opinion may with propriety be made at this time. By Section 51 of the Ordinance under consideration every undertaker is required to collect of the families of the person interred, and pay to the City, fifty cents for every child under the age of ten years, and one dollar for every person of the age of ten years and upwards, which they may bury. The Committee believe that the collection of these fees from the families of the dead ought to be discontinued. They admit that the sum is small and it may be deemed a matter of little importance, but to many of the poorer class of our citizens it is a tax which presses hard upon their scanty store, and there is apparently no good reason why the City Treasury should be augmented from this source. When an undertaker uses a City hearse it may be thought that some compensation should

be made, but as it is not proposed to affix any special rate for the use of the private cars, the Committee would recommend a simple repeal of this part of the section. With these views the Committee would recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance reading to Health &c. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred. | Ord. Dec. 15. 1856

The Ordinance referred to, in the foregoing report, entitled "an Ordinance in addition to an Ordinance in relation to Health" was read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. In Common Council Dec. 18. Said Ordinance was denied a second reading. | Health Ordinance.

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred an order passed Dec.r 9th instructing the Committee to consider the expediency of amending the Ordinance in relation to the Fire Department so far as relates to the election of Chief and Assistant Engineers, having considered the subject, report that it is inexpedient to take any action thereon. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred. | Fire Dept. Engineers mode of election

The Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred an Ordinance in relation to Public Grounds (City Document No 65.) having examined the same respectfully Report: That said Ordinance is in proper form, with the exception of the eighteenth Section for which your Committee recommend the accompanying substitute. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read & accepted and the Ordinance passed as amended. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec 26. 1856. | Public Grounds

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Leases at Auction

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances consider the expediency of creating an Ordinance which shall require that all the real estate which may hereafter be leased by the City shall be leased by public auction and for a term not exceeding five years. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and referred to the next city Council. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred.

Tremont Street lands near, on Back Bay

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands, to whom authority was given by the City Council under date of Nov. 3d to exchange or purchase such parcels of land on Tremont Street, at its junction with Dedham Street, as may in the judgement of said Committee be necessary to secure the opening of an Avenue to be constructed by the Commonwealth and the Water Power Company from the Mill Dam across the back bay to said Tremont Street, have attended to that duty as appears more fully upon their records and would recommend the passage of the following orders. For the Committee, Jeremiah Plummer, chairman. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bonds given by Elisphalet Baker for four lots of land numbering seventeen to twenty inclusive, and transfer the amounts paid thereon to bonds given for lots eleven, thirteen, fifteen, and sixteen upon said Street. — Also Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bonds given by George W. Pope, Nathaniel Winsor Jr. and Foster Waterman for land on Dedham and Common Streets and apply the amounts paid thereon as payment of the first instalment of other bonds to be given by them for land taken in exchange on Pembroke Street west of Tremont Street. Read, accepted and the orders having been read twice were passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 18 Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 22. 1856

The Joint Standing Committee
on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of J. W. Eames, to be paid for
damage sustained by a defect in Meadow Street, respectfully report, that
after inquiry into the facts, they are of opinion that the petitioner is not en-
titled to payment for the damage complained of. They therefore recommend,
that he have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chair-
man. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 15. Came up
concurred.

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The Joint Standing Committee on
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Andrew Donaldson to be paid
for injuries sustained by his child, in falling into a Plumbers kettle
in Southac Street, have considered the subject, and respectfully report
that, in their opinion, the City is not liable for the injuries complained
of. They therefore recommend, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw.
For the Committee James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent
down for concurrence. Dec. 18. Came up concurred.

Donaldson

The Bond of Thomas Power, Clerk
of the Police Court was approved by the Board and the bond of Ed-
ward S. Rose, Constable, was also approved by the Board.

Police Court
Clerk of
Constable

Whereas Henry Gardner has given
notice to this Board of his intention to erect buildings on North Street
in the said City; and, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and con-
venience of the inhabitants require that the said Street should be
widened at the place described in the said notice, it is therefore hereby
Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Henry Gardner that this
Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned by taking a part
of the land now about to be built upon as aforesaid and laying out

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the same as a public street - and that Monday, the twenty second day of December, instant at four o'clock, PM., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto.

Kneeland Street Worcester Rail Road.

The Committee on laying out and widening streets to whom was referred the order of the Board of Nov. 26, 1856 to consider the expediency of reopening as a public highway all that portion of Kneeland Street between Albany and Lincoln Streets which was discontinued by vote of the Board of Aldermen Dec. 17, 1855, - would respectfully Report: That in their opinion the safety and convenience of the City requires that the said Street should be reopened in conformity with the order, and recommend that the accompanying order of notice be issued. For the committee, Joseph M. Wightman. Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Kneeland Street should be opened between Albany and Lincoln Streets, it is therefore Hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Company that this Board intend to open the street before mentioned, by taking a part of the land of said Corporation as aforesaid, and laying out the same as a public street - and that Monday the twenty second day of December inst: at four o'clock, PM., is assigned as the time for hearing any objections which may be made thereto. Read, accepted and the order of notice passed.

Dorchester Avenue C.B. Rail Road.

On motion of Alderman Wightman the vote and order to widen Dorchester Avenue by taking land of the Old Colony Railroad Company, which were submitted to the Board October 27th and laid on the table October 31st were taken up and were passed. Approved by the Mayor, December 17, 1856.

The Committee on Cemeteries to whom was referred a complaint of sundry parties against Nicholas E. Rouch, a funeral undertaker, having examined into the same report that no further action thereon is necessary. For the Committee, Wm F. Cudworth Chairman. Read and accepted. Dec. 15. 1856 Rouch

William Cook was appointed an Auctioneer of this City at No 1. Commerce Street. Auctioneer

The use of Faneuil Hall was granted to Francis Jackson and others for the 2d of January 1857, it being engaged to other parties on the 1st of said month. Jackson Faneuil Hall

Leave was granted to Isaac Livermore to exhibit a Mammoth Ox at No 132. Canal Street Livermore.

On motion of Alderman Rich the reports of the Committee on Paving referring to the next Board of Aldermen the petitions of John H. Hunnewell and others respecting the abutments in Marion Street — of the Dorchester Avenue Rail Road Company for leave to construct a single track through A and other streets — of Joseph M. Teazie that Lenox Street be accepted as a public highway — of John Clifton and others that New Street at East Boston may be accepted — of John McBarron to be paid for change of grade in Thaxter Avenue — of Patrick J. Fleming and of G. G. Brown to be paid for change of grade in Fourth Street — of John Kinney and John Nunan to be paid for change of grade in Fifth Street — of Edward M. Brainard to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Sixth Street and of W. F. Allen to be paid for damages from a change of grade in Silver Street were taken from the table and were severally accepted by the Board. Hunnewell Dorchester Av. Rail Road Co Teazie Clifton McBarron Kenney Brown Kenney Nunan Brainard Allen

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Middlesex Rail Road

The Committee on Paving on the subject of the extension of the Middlesex Rail Road Company's track in Haymarket Square, would report the accompanying order. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Ordered, That in addition to the location already granted to the Middlesex railroad company the following extension of the location of said company's track is granted in Haymarket Square, viz: commencing at the termination of the track as already located and laid down in Charlestown Street, and running there with a double track across Haymarket Square between the Boston and Maine Rail Road depot and the "Fountain enclosed", to a point on a line with the edgestone on the northerly side of Merrimac Street, there to terminate. The distance between the edgestone and the outer rail on each track shall not be less than Nine feet except at the Fountain enclosure. The said location of the two tracks shall be approved of by the Committee on Paving and the Superintendent of Roads to whose satisfaction the whole work of laying down the tracks must be done. The work of laying down the tracks granted under the authority of this order, is not to be commenced before the first day of April 1857. Read once.

Prince

Ordered: That there be paid to Abraham Prince the sum of Fifty Dollars for damages sustained from the widening of Washington Street upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said widening; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Lincoln Street

Resolved: That the safety and convenience of the inhabitants of the City require that a portion of Lincoln Street should be discontinued as a public street or way

the said City bounded as follows, viz: so much of the said Road as lies between Orange and Oak Streets which is shown in blue on a plan hereinafter referred to. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to discontinue the said portion of the Road aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed. It is therefore Ordered That the portion of the said Road hereinbefore described be and the same hereby is, discontinued as a public Road or way of the said City according to a plan of the same made by James Hyde City engineer, dated Dec 15. 1856. and deposited in the Office of the said Mayor and Aldermen. Read once.

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Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that Dorchester Avenue should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Road or way of the said City, a parcel of land belonging to the Old Colony Rail Road Corporation bounded as follows, viz: Easterly by the proposed line of widening of Dorchester Avenue, there measuring two hundred and seventy nine feet and 74/100 West wardly by the continuation southerly of the near easterly line of Federal Street Bridge, two hundred and thirty six feet and 8/100; and still Northwardly by the present line of the said Avenue, forty four feet and 30/100: Containing eight hundred and seventy two square feet, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed, It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land herein described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Road or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Hyde, City Engineer, dated December 15th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said Dorchester Avenue, as aforesaid will

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646 amount to six hundred and fifty four dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or discontinuances in said Ward, during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read once.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eight o'clock P. M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston, held at City Hall on Thursday the Fourteenth day of December, Anno Domini, 1856

Present

The Chairman and all the Aldermen except Aldermen Lincoln, Codman and Calhoun.

Convention. Ordered to assignment the two branches assembled in Convention for the purpose of filling the vacancy

the Mayor of this City for the ensuing Municipal Year. Mr Parkman 837
of Ward 1. submitted to the Convention the following order, viz. Ordered:
By the Board of Aldermen and Common Council of the City of Boston Mayor
in Convention assembled, that the salary of the Mayor of said City for Salary for
the ensuing Municipal Year and until otherwise ordered be fixed at 1857
the sum of five thousand dollars payable quarterly. The Yeas and Nays
having been demanded on the passage of this order they were taken
as follows, viz: Yeas - Alderman Rich - Messrs Alvord, Bird, Bradford,
Buckley, Burbank, Dalton, Dunnels, Farnsworth, Gilbert, Harlow, Hatch,
Josselyn, Krueger, McGilvray, Morrison, Mullin, Parker, Parkman, Pond,
Richardson, Roberts, James M. Stevens, Oliver Stevens, Wade, Thayer, Tyler
Warner, Washburn and Whiton - 30. - Nays - Aldermen Bonney, Bourke,
Cheever, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer and Richman. - Messrs Cragin, Cus-
by, Dresser, Johnson, Mason, Nash, Peak, Porter, Prescott, Read and Rich-
ards - 18. So said order was passed.

The Object of the Convention having
been accomplished the two Branches separated and this Board

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'Clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Al-
dermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty
second day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen.

Jurors. Twenty two Grand Jurors were drawn for the Municipal Court and thirty two Traverse Jurors for the Superior Court.

Police A Communication from the Chief of Police suggesting certain amendments in the existing Rules & Regulations of his department was referred to the Committee on Police.

Lovejoy Petition of W. R. Lovejoy to be paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Marginal Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Long and Central Wharf Petition of Long and Central Wharf corporations for leave to close up a portion of the West end of the Custom House for four months in order to make certain improvements in their Docks. Referred to the Committee on Paving with full power.

Kneeland Stud. No person person appearing to object to the proposed widening of Kneeland Street between Albany and Lincoln Streets, said subject was recommitted to the Committee on Streets with full power.

North Street Gardner. Agreeably to notice Henry Gardner appeared by Hon. John C. Park his attorney and objected to the proposed widening of North Street by taking land of said Gardner. The said objections read & noted the subject was recommitted to the committee on Streets with full power.

Division Stud. Ordered: That the Chief of Police be directed to suspend further action on the order for removal of obstructions on Division Street, passed Dec. 8. 1856.

The resolve and order submitted | 6/19.
Dec. 15th for the additional widening of Dorchester Avenue by taking land | Dec 22 1856
of the Old Colony Rail Road Corporation, was read a second time and | Dorchester Av.
passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 31. 1856.

Petition of George Hill, City Crier, | Hill
to be reimbursed for money expended by him for the care of destitute | city Crier.
and friendless children. Referred to the Committee on Claims. Sent down
for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Petition of Alexander Burton | Burton.
to be paid for damages sustained by his horse in East Castle Street. Refer
red to the Committee on Claims. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 20. Came up
concurred.

The order submitted Dec. 15th to | Rince.
pay Abraham Rince fifty dollars for damages sustained from the widen
ing of Washington Street, was read a second time and passed. Ap
proved by the Mayor, Dec. 23. 1856.

Ordered: That there be paid to | Havey.
James G. Havey the sum of three hundred dollars for his damages sustain
ed from the widening of Washington Street, upon his giving to the city
an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses
in consequence of said widening; and that the same be charged to the
appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice & passed.
Approved by the Mayor Dec. 23. 1856.

Ordered: That there be paid to | Loud
Reuben Loud Jr. the sum of Twenty five dollars for damages occasioned
to his horse which fell through the Draw of the Mount Washington Aven
ue Bridge on the 29th of November last upon his giving to the City an ac-
quittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in conse-
quence of said accident; and that the same be charged to the appro-

650 petition for Bridges. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor.
Dec. 22. 1856. Dec. 23. 1856.

Engine at East Boston. Ordered: That the Committee on the Fire Department consider the expediency of locating an Engine on the South Section of East Boston and of establishing a company for the same.

Middlesex Rail Road. The order submitted Dec.r 15th for an extension of the location of the Middlesex Rail Road through Haymarket square to Canal Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec.r 27. 1856.

Swift Clerk of Com.es Ordered: That John L. Swift, the Clerk of the Joint Standing and Special Committees of the City Council be paid the usual salary for his services from July 1st 1856 to January 1st 1857. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec 29 1856

Bills to pay Ordered: That the following bills of Pond and Duncklee, for work and stock furnished to the City, be audited and paid, provided the same shall be duly approved and allowed in the usual manner, viz: for House of Industry, three hundred eighty one dollars and ninety four cents. Steamer Henry Morrison, forty three dollars and fifty four cents. Court House, nine dollars and forty four cents. Public Buildings, twenty six dollars and seventy five cents. Passed in Common Council, came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 23, 1856

Bills to be paid. Ordered: That the following bills for supplies and services rendered by persons connected with the City Government be audited and paid, provided they are duly approved by the proper Committee and allowed by the Committee on Accounts, viz: Geo. W. Haven & Co. vs. Paving Dept. thirty five dollars and fifty eight cents. Clark

Goggins came thirteen dollars and eighty cents. H. Sprague 2d came thirteen dollars and thirteen cents. Thayer, Sawyer & Co. came Lunatic Hosp.l fifty seven dollars and forty four cents. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 24. 1856. | 651. Dec. 22 1856.

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be instructed to consider the expediency of repealing so much of the Ordinances of the City as requires an Annual Parade of the Fire Department. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 24. 1856. | Fire Department.

The Common Council having amended the order, which passed this Board December 1st for the purchase of a site for a Ward Room for Ward No. 2. by inserting at the words "at an expense not exceeding ten thousand dollars" said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec.r 23. 1856. | Ward Room Ward 8.

The Common Council having elected Abner Knight Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge instead of William L. Battis who was chosen by this Branch - said action came up for concurrence, and the ballots having again been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that this Board again elected William L. Battis thereby non concurring with the Common Council in their choice of Abner Knight. Sent down for concurrence. | East Boston Free Bridge Supt.

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of Mrs Lydia Barrows asking an abatement of the tax on her estate No. 12 North Bennet Street assessed for the year 1856 have had the same under | Barrows

052. consideration, and would recommend the passage of the annexed or-
Dec. 22. 1856. der. For the Committee, Ozmyn Brewster, Chairman. Ordered: That the sum of Thirty dollars and forty cents, assessed upon Mrs. Lydia Barnes, for her estate No. 12 North Bennet Street, for the year 1850, be, and the same is hereby abated. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 29. 1856.

Wharf purchase of

The Joint Special Committee on the subject of the sale of the City's North Wharf to whom was referred the matter of purchasing a wharf at the north part of the City, have considered the same and Report: That in the judgement of the Committee no action on the subject is advisable at the present time. For the Committee, Wm Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Mason

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department to whom was referred the petition of Wm A. Mason, asking an abatement of taxes on lands at South Boston, have had the same under consideration, and after due deliberation, ask leave to Report: That the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Ozmyn Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Parker's heirs

The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors' Department, to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of the late Mrs Eliza Parker asking an abatement of taxes on lands at South Boston, have had the same under consideration, and after mature deliberation ask leave to Report: That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Ozmyn

Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. 055.
Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Dec. 22. 1856.

Weighters & Gaugers.

The Joint Special Committee to whom was referred the matter of the duties of the weighers and inspectors of Lighters and the manner in which the same are performed having duly investigated that subject report: That they found this department in a state of considerable confusion, owing to the competition of the different inspectors among themselves, and that the inspectors had very frequent difficulties, and they therefore recommend the passage of the accompanying Ordinance as a remedy for the existing state of things. Timothy C. Kendall, John T. Dingley, A. H. Tuler, Z. C. Whiton. Read and referred to the Committee on Ordinances. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred.

Hathorne's bond cancelled.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Lands having been obliged, in order to continue the new street leading from Franklin Square to Concord Street to purchase of Jacob K. Hathorne a portion of the land sold to him by the City Novr 1st 1851, and for which the City now holds a Bond, they therefore recommend the passage of the following order. For the Committee. Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bond given by Jacob K. Hathorne Novr 1st 1851, and transfer the payments made thereon, together with the amount to be allowed him for land taken, to a new bond to be given for the balance of said lot, as per description bearing date of Decr 20th 1856. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor. December 29th 1856.

Wentworth & Barker.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bond given by Wentworth and Barker, January 1st 1851, for land on Chester

054. Square, and transfer the payments made thereon to a bond to be given
Dec. 22. 1856. by Henry Smith for lot 23 on said Square, the same being an exchange
of lots as arranged by the Committee on Public Lands. Read twice and
passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. came up concurred. Approved
by the Mayor Dec. 29. 1856.

Fuel. The Joint Standing Committee on Fuel
who were directed by an order passed in February last to consider the ex-
pediency of the purchase by the City of Fuel at first hands, have consid-
ered that subject, but as the contracts for fuel have all been concluded for
the present year, they ask to be discharged from any further consideration
of the subject. For the Committee, Wm. H. Eaton, Chairman. Read and
accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 26. came up concurred.

Auctioneer Theodore W. Shelton was appointed
an Auctioneer of this City at 123 Cambridge Street.

Hughes Leave was granted to William H.
Hughes to exhibit feats of Pedestrianism in Faneuil Street, during the
Christmas Holidays.

Worcester Street sidewalks. The Joint Standing Committee on
Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of W. L. G. Grant and others,
that a plank sidewalk may be laid in Worcester Street, between Chau-
mont Avenue and Washington Street, said petition being previously
referred to the Committee on Paving, have duly considered the same, and
would submit the following Report: That the City have owned no land
on Worcester Street, between Chaumont Avenue and Washington Street
since 1845. They therefore recommend its reference back to the Committee
on Paving. For the Committee, Farnham Plummer, Chairman. Read
accepted and referred accordingly.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of Charles E. Wiggin that his sidewalk in Marshall Street may be raised, reported leave to withdraw on the ground that the petitioner should cause the said sidewalk to be raised at his own expense. Read and accepted. — Dec 22. 1856. Wiggin

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the petition of Nathaniel Springfield that the City would construct a new wall in his front in North Grove Street as compensation for the damages of widening of said Street respectfully report, that they have caused the wall to be reconstructed in conformity with the petition. For the committee, John T. Kingsley Chairman. Read and accepted. — Springfield

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets to whom was referred the subject of laying out Albany Street between Oak and Orange Streets and also the subject of the extension of Harvard Street to Sea (now Federal) Street, reported that no further action is required thereon. Read and accepted. — Albany Street. Harvard Street.

The Committee on Paving to whom was referred the petition of N. T. Gardner and others that the north side walk of Kneeland Street may be re-paved, reported that no action thereon is necessary. Accepted. — Gardner Kneeland St.

The Committee on Paving to whom were referred the petitions of Thos. P. Glover trustee, to be paid for damages arising from the opening of a street over land of the late Stephen Glover, of William Tebbs and others that a portion of the Western Avenue and Beaver and Otter Streets may be accepted by the City reported that said subjects be referred to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted. — Glover. Tebbs. Western Avenue

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Fremont Street

The Committee on laying out and widening Streets, to whom was referred the order as to the expediency of widening Fremont Street, respectfully report, that the subject has been duly considered, but as it involves the expenditure of a large amount of money, they recommend it be referred to the next Board of Aldermen. For the Committee, Orrin P. Lingley, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Alley.
Bowdoin Square Church
Mann.
Drake.
Tuckerman.
Mass. General Hospital.

On the several petitions of C. R. & J. B. Alley to be paid for land taken to extend Friend Street, of the Standing Committee of the Bowdoin Square Church for payment for land taken to widen Bowdoin Square, of Wm. H. Mann to be paid for land taken to widen Washington Street at corner of Common Street, of Fisdale Drake and others that Sea, now Federal Street, may be widened, of William Sohier for Edward Tuckerman's heirs that the matter of their compensation for land taken on Washington Street near Dock Square, may be submitted to arbitration, of the Trustees of the Mass: Gen. Hospital to be paid for land taken to extend North Charles Street, the Committee on Streets reported a reference of said subjects to the next Board of Aldermen. Read & accepted.

Williams.
Fay.
Whittier.
Peabody.
Mann.
Grant.
Fuller.
Washburn.

On the several petitions of David H. Williams to be paid for land taken from him in Groton Street, of Lewis Fay and Sons and others that Canal Street, between High and such as Streets be widened, of Seth Whittier to be paid for damages occasioned by the discontinuance of Foster Street Flat, of George Peabody & others for the same, of E. G. Allen to be paid for damages occasioned in the extension of Friend Street, of Moses Grant and others to be paid for land taken to extend Friend Street including a portion of Wells Street, of Stephen C. Fuller and others and of William Washburn for the discontinuance of Friend Street as laid out July 1855, and for the widen

ing of Union Street of H. L. Long and others against the proposed discontinuance of a portion of Lincoln Street by C. Mills and others for the widening of the railroad bridge over Harrison Avenue — the Committee on Streets reported that said several petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted. | 65 Dec. 22 1856 and Mills

The Committee on Laying out and widening Streets to whom were referred the petition of George Peabody and others that Foster Street may be extended as a public highway — and the remonstrance of Curtis G. Peabody and others against the same, reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Accepted. | Peabody Foster Street Ext.

On petition of P. F. Flaherty to be paid for filling up B. Street between Second and First Streets, the Committee on Paving reported leave to withdraw. Accepted. | Flaherty

The Committee on Laying out and widening Streets, to whom was referred the petition of N. L. Gardiner and one hundred and eighty two others, for the widening of Salutation Street, reported, that the subject was before the Committee on Laying out and widening Streets for the year 1855, — that the same has been duly considered and they now see no sufficient reason why said Street should be widened, and they therefore recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman. Accepted. | Gardiner Salutation Street

The Committee on Streets to whom were referred the petitions of John Rayner and others for the widening of Union Street, and the remonstrance of Franklin Foster against the same reported, that the parties have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted. | Rayner Foster.

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Lincoln Street.

The resolve and order for the discontinuance of a portion of Lincoln Street between Orange and Oak Streets, which were submitted to the Board Decr 15th came up for a second reading and on motion of Alderman Wightman were laid on the table.

Richardson

On motion of Alderman Plummer the order, which was submitted Sept. 8th to pay Thos Richardson four Hundred and sixty dollars for land taken to widen Lee Street was taken from the table, and the question being upon the motion made by Alderman Plummer Decr 1st viz: to strike out all after the word "Ordered" said motion prevailed and the order was therefore rejected.

Harrison Avenue.

Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets is authorized to construct a cesspool at the corner of Harrison Avenue and E. Chester Street. Read once.

Grant

Ordered: That there be paid to Moses Grant the sum of ninety two hundred and seventy five dollars for land taken to widen Union Street, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Jones.

Ordered: That there be paid to Mrs Bedford, Jones & Amelia Jones the sum of Thirteen hundred eighty three ^49/100 Dollars for land taken to lay out Oxford Street, in 1849. upon their giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking, and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliqui-

dated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read once.

Alderman Kendall submitted to the Board the following. Resolved. That in the opinion of the exist ing City Council it is expedient that on and after the next Municipal Year the members of the Board of Aldermen should receive as compensation for their services a sum not less than one thousand dollars each per annum. Read and rejected by an almost unanimous vote.

Alderman Kendall

Adjourned to Monday next at four o'clock, P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Alder men of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Monday the twenty ninth day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

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Jurors

Thirty two Traverse Jurors drawn for the second session of the Superior Court. Thirty six Traverse Jurors drawn for the Municipal Court.

Dunbar Engine

Petition of Joseph Dunbar and others that an engine be stationed on the Fourth Section, East Boston. Referred to the Committee on the Fire Department.

Company G.

Petition of Company G. Second Regiment of Infantry for approval of their Armory No 169 Hanover Street. Referred to the Committee on Armories.

Wilder.

Communication of Mary Ann Wilder respecting damage to her estate by change of grade of Hiberny Street. Referred to the Committee on Paving.

Silver, Emerald, White Pine, Waltham, G. & Federal Sts.

The Superintendent of Sewers presented to the Board Schedules of assessments for construction of Common Sewers in Silver Street, Emerald Street, White Street, East Waltham Street, Pine Street, Federal Street, and G. Street. Referred to the Committee on Sewers.

City Printer

Ordered: That the Committee on Ordinances be directed to report whether or not an ordinance should be framed for providing for the election of City Printer by the City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence Read and referred to the next City Council. Sent down for concurrence. Dec 31. Came up concurred.

East Boston Free Bridge.

The Common Council having again elected Hiner Knight as Superintendent of the East Boston Free Bridge thereby non-concurring with this Board in the choice of Wm L. Battis. said action came up for concurrence: and the ballots having again been taken and counted for said Superintendent, it appeared that

said Abner Knight was chosen in concurrence. 061

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The Common Council having non- Lands
concurred with this Board in referring to the next City Council the order at Auction
respecting leasing of Lots belonging to the City by Auction - said paper came back to this Board, and thereupon this Board adhered to its former vote of reference of said paper to the next City Council. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Clark.
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Patrick Clark to be paid for damage to his horse in Norton Street, respectfully report, that they do not consider that the petitioner has any just claim against the City therefor, and they respectfully recommend that he have to withdraw. For the Committee James Cheever Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Bowers
Claims, to whom was referred the petition of C. E. Bowers, for leave to participate in the proceeds of a lot of land sold by the City, which was relinquished by him to the City, respectfully report that they can see no good reason for granting the prayer thereof and they therefore respectfully recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. came up concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee Parker
on Claims, to whom was referred the petition of Barbadimeo Parker, to be paid for damage done to his boat last winter by negligence of certain agents of the City, respectfully report, that on inquiry into the facts, they are informed that the damage to the said boat was not

caused by the acts of the servants of the City, but by other causes, for
Dec[r] 29. 1856. which the City is not liable. They therefore recommend, that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.

Haynes. The Joint Standing Committee on claims, to whom was referred the petition of Amos Haynes, to be paid for damage sustained by his horse in Friend Street, respectfully report, that they do not consider the City liable for the said damage, and they therefore recommend that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec[r] 31. Came up concurred.

Library. The Joint Standing Committee on the Public Library to whom was referred the portion of the Mayor's Address in relation to that institution, have considered the same and Report: That there is nothing coming under their supervision worthy of notice in relation to the Public Library. In the present state of the affairs of that Institution, the Library being under the supervision and control of an able Board of Trustees, and the building being under the management of a board of Commissioners and is rapidly approaching completion, nothing comparatively remains for this Committee to attend to, and they would respectfully refer to the reports of those Boards for information on the subject. For the Committee, Otis Rich, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.

City Debt Reduction of. The Committee on the Reduction of the City Debt, for the municipal year 1856, respectfully report to the City Council the situation of the Debt of the City, as it stood on the twenty

fourth instant, and the doings on account of the same during the pres-
ent municipal year. By the Auditor's Report No 14, p. 195, it will be seen Dec 3, 1850.
that the account on the thirtieth day of April last, stood as follows:-

Funded Debt on account of the City business, exclusive
of the Water Works, $1,876,188,66

Do. on acct of the . . 5,230,961,11 $ 7,107,149,77

To this has since been added an amount borrowed under
the Order of 12th June, 1835, authorizing a loan to an
amount not exceeding $95,000, to defray in part the cost of the
Public Library Building, 47,100.00

$ 7,154,249.77

The payments on account of this Debt since thirtieth
April last, have been as follows:-

All that has thus far matured on account of
the City Debt proper, $8,000
Do. on account of the Water Works 1,000
Also, an amount due some years hence,
purchased at a discount 35,000 44,000.00

Leaving the funded debt on the twenty fourth instant, $7,110,249.77

There will be due and payable, between this time and the close of the
present financial year, (30th April next) the following items, viz:

On account of the City Debt, $37,700
On account of the Water Debt, 198,000 $235,700.00

To the amount of Debt, as stated above, should be added the Loans author-
ized by the City Council, but not yet negotiated, although the money has
been mostly paid out. These loans are for the following objects:

1855.
May 16. Bal. of Loan authorized to fit up the new House of
Correction at Deer Island, $6,000

Nov. 20. Same object, 2,000 $ 3,000.00

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June 12. On account of the New Library Building	$95.000.00		
Less obtained this year.	47.100.00		
	$ 47.900.00		
July 12. Additional Loand for same,	24.000,00		
June 13. 1856. To complete the same,	60.000,00		131,900,00
1855. June 27. Purchase and fitting up of the new Station House in Ward 1,			16.000.00
July 3. New Grammar School House, Ward 11,			38.000.00
Sept. 18. Improvement of South Bay Loands,			50.000,00
Nov. 20. Paving Lehigh Street,			5.000,00
Dec 29. New Gr. School House, East Boston,			13.000.00
1856. Jan. 15. Public Lands, and So. Bay improvements,			50.000.00
Aug. 25. Same,			50.000,00
Jan. 22. Extension of Friend Street,			50. 000,00
July 10. Same,			140.000.00
Feb. 26. Addition to Paving Appro. 1855-56,			20,000.00
July 10. Extra Piers, &c, at East Boston Free Bridge,			17.000,00
Oct. 22. Repairs North Free Bridge,			36.000,00
Oct. 22. Building Albany Street Bridge,			25,000,00
Dec. 5. Purchase of E. Boston Free Bridge,			40,000,00
Dec. New Free Bridge, in continuation of North Charles Street,			21.000,00
Dec. 21 Settlement of Swan's claim on the North Market Street Lots,			20,500,00
Dec. On account of Public Loands,			20.000.00
Total of Loans authorized, but not yet negociated			$ 751,400,00

These Loans will be obtained as fast as the state of the Treasury will require, and it is hoped at a rate of interest not exceeding five per cent. per annum, for long loans, which is the highest rate the Treasurer is now authorized to pay; this rate, however will be controlled by the state of the money market at the time when the funds are needed. The auth. Account

with this Committee now stands as follows:- Balance on the 6th April 663.
last, per Auditor's Report, No 44, p. 199, $ 479,672.97 Sec. 4, p. 136
2dly Amount received since that time, on the following
accounts, which are required to be placed to the credit of
this Committee, by the 10th section of the Ordinance in Finance,
R.O. p. 163, viz:

Cash received on Sales of Public Lands, since 30th April, 1856, $5,085.81
Receipts on Bonds and Mortgages given for Lands Sold, 1,181.60
Proportion of the Annual City Tax for 1856, 6 cts. on 159,267.48

$ 638,940.35

From which deduct payments, as above stated, 144,530.00

Balance now to the credit of this Committee, $ 494,410.35

This balance is chargeable with $198,000 of Water Debt and $32,730 of City Debt, becoming due in this financial year, and payable before the 30th April next. It will be seen that the actual increase of the consolidated funded debt of the City, since the 30th of April last has been $2,100, being the amount of loans negotiated as above, $17,100, less the $14,000, actually paid off; while the money on hand for paying the debt has been augmented by $115,267.48, being the difference of Cash means on hand, on the 30th April last, $479,672.97, and the same means on hand this day, $594,940.35. The Consolidated funded debt of the City at this date stands as follows:- City Debt $ 380,288.66
Water Debt, 5,229,461.11
$ 5,609,749.77

If to this amount, $ 7,110,249.77
We add the amount of loans authorized, but
not yet negotiated, 751,100.00
We have a total of $ 7,861,349.77
The means of meeting this debt are.

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Cash	$ 514,940.38
Bonds and Mortgages,	336,537.50
	$ 1,151,477.85
Total Debt, as above,	$ 7,861,649.77
Means of payment, as stated above,	1,151,477.85
Net debt of the close of business, on the 31st Dec. 1856.	$ 6,710,171.92

Against $ 6,482,503.51 on the 24th Dec. 1855, being an increase of $ 227,668.41.
All of which is respectfully submitted, Alexander H. Rice, Mayor. Oliver Stevens, President of Common Council. Oliver Frost, Chairman of the committee on Finance on the part of Common Council. Read accepted and ordered to be printed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.
(See City Document No 75.)

Tirrill. The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of Henry J. Tirrill, asking an abatement of his personal tax for 1856, have had the same under consideration and respectfully Report, That the petitioner be permitted to withdraw. For the Committee, Cyrus Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec 31. Came up concurred.

Peoples Ferry Company. The Joint Standing Committee on the Assessors Department to whom was referred the petition of the Peoples Ferry Company, asking an abatement of their tax for the year 1854 have duly considered the same, and beg leave to Report; That the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Cyrus Brewster, Chairman. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.

Osborne Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bond given by George Osborne, for a lot of land on Tedcampton Road, the

came having been refused by the City for non payment of the instalments of
due thereon also for non complying with the conditions of said Deed. Accepted
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concur
red. Approved by the Mayor Jan.y 2. 1857.

Ordered: That the Treasurer be | Earleton.
and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the bonds given
by Joseph W. Earleton for Lands on Chelsea Road and Lands being forfeited
to the City in consequence of nonpayment of instalments due thereon Read
twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred.
Approved by the Mayor Jan.y 2. 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee | Warren
on Public Lands to whom was referred the petition of Gardner Warren
that the City release possession of certain lands on Chelsea Road, taken
under certain contracts with Joseph W. Earleton. having duly considered
the same, would submit the following Report: That the petitioner have
leave to withdraw. For the Committee, Fairnham Plummer, Chairman.
Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concur
red.

The Joint Standing Committee | Mount Hope
on Public Lands and the Committee on Cemeteries to whom, severally, Cemetery.
were referred, certain papers relative to the purchase of Mount Hope Cem
etery, having considered the subject respectfully Report: That it is expe
dient for the City to purchase said Cemetery at a cost of Forty five thous
and dollars ($45,000) provided the title thereto be satisfactory to the City
Solicitor and the terms of payment thereof satisfactory to the City Coun=
cil. Fairnham Plummer. Chairman on Pub. Lds. Wm. H. Eaton. Chairman
Com: on Cemeteries. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence.
Dec.r 31. Came up concurred.

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Loan - Public Funds Appropriations transfers of -

The Committee on Finance have duly considered the communications from the Committee on Paving dated eighth instant - that of the Auditor of the eleventh instant and that from the Committee on Public Funds dated tenth instant. To meet the necessities of the various cases they voted unanimously to recommend to the city Council the passage of the enclosed orders. For the Committee, Alex^r H. Rice, Chairman. Ordered: That the Treasurer be authorized to borrow, under the direction of the Committee on Finance, the sum of twenty thousand dollars, - and that the same be added to the appropriation for Public Funds. Ordered: also, That the Auditor of Accounts be authorized to make the following transfers of appropriations viz: from Sewers to Albany Road Fifteen Thousand dollars - from the Reserved Fund to Incidentals Five Thousand dollars. Passed in Common Council. Yeas. 33. Nays. none. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Yeas - Aldermen Bonney, Brewster, Carlow, Chesebro, Cordman, Dingley, Jackson, Kendall, Plummer, Rich and Wightman 11. nays, none. Approved by the Mayor, Decr 30. 1856. -

Alberton bills to pass

Ordered: That the Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized to pass the bills of W. F. Alberton amounting to seventy six dollars and fifteen cents, provided the same are approved in the usual manner. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 30. 1856

Colburn

Ordered: That there be paid to F. A. Colburn, Clerk of the Fire Department and Pumps Department, the sum of one hundred and thirty five dollars, the same being in value in- ed in the Superintendent of Pumps Office in delivering Oil to Firemen and Pumpers Departments, since April 1st 1856. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 30. 1856

The Joint Standing Committee on | 669
Public Buildings to whom was referred a communication from the | Dec 29. 1836.
Board of School Committee relative to the condition of the Adams School | Adams
House, having considered the same reported in print, as per City Doc- | School House.
ument No 74. That said School was constructed according to the contract
that the work was duly accepted by the City Council and that all the
complaints contained in the communication of the School Committee
were perfectly groundless and falsely stated. In conclusion the Committee
state that no action is required on said communication. Wm. T. Sumner
James Cheever, Ebenezer Johnson, Joseph Buckley, S. G. Prescott, Asa Fowler,
J. C. Mason. Committee. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came
up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the Committee on | Bonds of
Ordinances be requested to repeal an ordinance prescribing a form of bond | City Officers.
for uniform rules in relation to such bonds with regard to Sureties, manner
of approval & c. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concur-
rence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 30. 1836.

The Committee on Public Lands | Public Land
pursuant to the provisions of the ordinance concerning Public Lands | Commissioners
passed Dec. 26. 1836, nominated to the City Council Alderman Tileston
man and Francis Parker & the common council members of said Com-
mittee & the members of the Board of Public Land Commissioners for the
ensuing Municipal Year. Read and the nominations were confirmed
by the Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the following bills | Bills
for supplies furnished or work done for the City, by persons connected with the | & pay.
City Government, be audited and paid, provided they are approved in

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the usual manner and allowed by the Committee on Accounts_ J. West & Co vs. C. T. Hospital, one hundred thirty two dollars and eighty cents; vs. Grammar Schools_ twenty five dollars and seven cents; vs Primary Schools_ ten dollars and twenty cents, vs: Steamer Morrison twenty four dollars and forty four cents_ Mark Goggins vs: Grammar Schools, nineteen dollars and fifty cents_ Thos. vs: Pub. Library, eighty nine dollars and thirty nine cents. Laura J. Woods vs: House of correction, three hundred and thirty seven dollars and nineteen cents. Tisdale Drake vs: Sewers &c: nine dollars and fifty cents. J. West & Co vs: Int: Health, seven dollars and eighty eight cents. Mr. Sprague vs: Fire Department, five dollars and forty seven cents. Tisdale Drake vs: Paving Department, five hundred thirty two dollars and thirty two cents. Passed in Common Council. came up for concurrence. Read and concurred. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 30. 1856.

Bonds to be cancelled.

Ordered: That the City Treasurer be and he is hereby authorized and instructed to cancel the Bonds numbering from thirteen hundred and one to thirteen hundred and twelve both inclusive; also Bonds thirteen hundred fifteen and sixteen, given for lands at South Boston, said lands being revested to the City by non-payment of instalments due thereon. Read twice and passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor, Jan. 2d 1857.

Lease approved

Lease of the basement rooms of the old Male House to Bacon & Burditt for three years from April 1. 1856, for twenty six hundred dollars per annum, was approved by the Board.

Mather School House

Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to cause furniture to be put into the Mather School House for the accommodation of Primary Scholars

not to exceed the sum of fourteen hundred dollars and the same to be charged to the appropriation for alteration and repairs of Primary school houses. Passed in common council. Came up for concurrence and concurred. Approved by the Mayor Dec. 29. 1856.

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Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the city require that a portion of Kneeland Street should be re-opened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public street or way of the said city, a parcel of land belonging to the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation - bounded as follows, viz: Northeasterly by land of the Boston and Worcester Rail Road Corporation three measuring one hundred and forty feet; Southeasterly by the northwesterly line of Lincoln Street, forty feet; - Southwesterly by land of the said Corporation one hundred and forty feet; and Northwesterly by the southeasterly line of Albany Street forty feet: containing five thousand six hundred square feet, more or less; it being the same portion of Kneeland Street discontinued by the Board of Aldermen Dec 1st, 1856. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return hereunto annexed, it is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is taken and laid out as a public street or way of the said city - according to a plan of the same made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated December 29th 1856. and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of re-opening the said Kneeland Street, as aforesaid, will amount to nothing. Read and specially assigned for consideration on Tuesday, (tomorrow) at three o'Clock, P.M.

Kneeland Street

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Dec 29. 1856. Lands

The Superintendent of Public Lands submitted to the Board the report of the sales and improvements of the Public Lands and the receipts and expenditure of that department for the present year. Laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

Coroners' Bills.

The Committee on County Accounts reported to the Board that they had adopted some new and stringent measures the present year in order to correct an abuse of the system of paying the Coroners' Bills without any proper examination into the merits of the same - and after stating to the Board the requirements of the law on this subject and the obligations of the city under the same they concluded by referring the whole subject to the next Board of Aldermen. For the Committee Joseph M. Wightman. Read Laid on the table & ordered to be printed. (Vide City Document No. 76)

Insurance.

Ordered: That the majority and minority reports relative to insurance by the city of losses by fire be referred to the next City Council. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and indefinitely postponed.

Insurance

An order of the Common Council that five thousand copies of the above named reports be printed for general circulation. Came up for concurrence. Read and indefinitely postponed.

Harrison Avenue.

An order submitted at the last meeting of the Board for the Superintendent of Streets to construct a cesspool at the corner of Harrison Avenue and East Chester Road was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor Dec 29 1856.

Ordered: That there be paid to Andrew Harrington the sum of three hundred eighty three dollars for land taken to widen Tea Street, November 20. 1855. upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for unliquidated claims for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec 29. 1856.

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Harrington

Ordered: That there be paid to William L. Brown the sum of one thousand dollars for his damages sustained by reason of the extension of Friend Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec 29. 1856.

Brown

Ordered: That there be paid to John C. Boyden the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars for damages sustained by him from the extension of Friend Street, upon his giving to the City an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said extension; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for the extension of Friend Street. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29. 1856.

Boyden

Ordered: That there be paid to N.C. Bigelow, Trustee of J.P. Tuckerman, the sum of sixty eight hundred dollars for land taken to widen Washington Street, upon his giving to the City a deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and wid-

Bigelow-
Tuckerman

674. ening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 29. 1856.

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Harrington. Ordered: That there be paid to Andrew Harrington the sum of Five hundred twenty two dollars for land taken to widen Federal (late Ice) Street, June 10th 1856, upon his giving to the City a Deed for the same, and an acquittance and discharge for all damages, costs and expenses in consequence of said taking; and that the same be charged to the appropriation for laying out and widening Streets. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. Dec. 29. 1856.

North Street Resolved, That the safety and convenience of the Inhabitants of the City require that North Street should be widened and for that purpose it is necessary to take, and lay out as a public Street or way of the said City a parcel of land belonging to Henry Gardner bounded as follows, viz: Southeasterly by the proposed line of widening of North Street, there measuring forty eight feet and 5/10; Northeasterly by Lewis Street, two feet; and Northwesterly by the present line of North Street forty eight feet and 4/10: containing forty eight square feet and 5/10, more or less. And Whereas, due notice has been given of the intention of this Board to take the said parcel of land for the purpose aforesaid, as appears by the return thereto annexed. It is therefore Ordered, That the parcel of land before described be, and the same hereby is, taken and laid out as a public Street or way of the said City according to a plan of the said widening made by James Slade, City Engineer, dated December 29th 1856, and deposited in the office of the said Board of Aldermen. And this Board doth adjudge that the expense of widening the said North Street, as aforesaid, will amount to two hundred and forty dollars: which sum together with the amount of estimates of previous alterations or

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discontinuances in said Street during the present municipal year, does not exceed the sum of five thousand dollars. Read twice and passed. — Approved by the Mayor Dec. 29. 1836

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The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Moses Grant ninety two hundred and seventy five dollars for land taken to widen Union Street, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29. 1836

Grant.

The order submitted at the last meeting of the Board to pay Roy & Tuttle one thirteen hundred eighty three dollars and forty nine cents for land taken to extend Oxford Street in 1842, was read a second time and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec. 29. 1836

Roy & Tuttle.

Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Faneuil Hall the use of Faneuil Hall was granted to Joseph Story and others on January 1st 1837, for a children's festival.

Story Faneuil Hall.

On petition of the Long and Central Wharf Corporations that the Street between their wharves on the east of the Custom House may be closed for four months during the progress of their improvements in that vicinity, it was Ordered: That the Superintendent of Streets be authorized to have closed against public travel the street on the easterly side of the Custom House between Long and Central Wharves from the first day of January 1837 to the first day of May 1837. Read twice and passed.

Long & Central Wharves.

On motion of Alderman Wightman, the motion to reconsider the vote whereby the Board refused to pass the order of Dec. 1st to pay Mary Ann Ellis five hundred dollars

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for damages to her house on Chapelle Street, was taken from the table, and said motion to reconsider having prevailed to order, as recorded page 607. was passed. Approved by the Mayor, Dec 29. 1856.

Smith. On petition of Stephen Smith and others for a Common Sewer in Trumbull Street, the Committee on Sewers reported that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

Marsh Agreeably to the report of the Committee on Licenses a license was granted to R. G. Marsh to give theatrical entertainments at the Howard Athenæum for six months from Decr 15th inst paying therefor ten dollars per month in advance for said license.

Roberts Leave was granted to Wm Roberts to give a Sparring exhibition at the National Rooms January 2^d^ 1857 on his paying to the Chief of Police the sum of fifteen dollars and the expense of four Police Officers.

Brown Clark. On the petitions of Thomas Brown and William H. Clark severally for appointment as Auctioneers of this City, the Committee on Licenses reported leave to withdraw. Accepted.

Lancers An invitation to visit the new Armory of the National Lancers in Sudbury Street was read and accepted by the Board.

Pierce The Committee on Sewers presented to the Board a bill of Edward Pierce vs the City of Boston demanding $ Three Hundred and twenty five dollars which had been submitted to said Committee for approval but which had not been authorized by said Committee, and the instructions of the Board were requested thereon.

Read and laid on the table. 677.

On the petition of Ansel Carr for Dec 29. 1856
the extension of the Clark Street sewer the Committee on Sewers reported Carr
that no further action is required thereon. Accepted. Clark Street

Agreeably to the report of the Com- Freeman
mittee on Licenses leave was granted to Sidney Freeman to give a Mu
sical and Ballet entertainment at the National Theatre January 3. 1857

On the several petitions of Willard How
How to be paid for damages sustained by him from the extension of
Friend Street and of Seth Adams to be paid for land taken to extend said Adams
Street, the Committee on Streets reported a reference of the same to the
next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Paving Hunt
on the subject of the Worcester Street sidewalks as petitioned for by W. L. G Worcester Street
Hunt, reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen.
Read and accepted.

The Committee on Sewers to whom Burrison.
were referred the petitions of William Burrison that the Bennington Bartlett
Street sewer may be extended to Chelsea Street — of George Bartlett and Palmer
others for a change of drainage in Bowdoin Square — of Palmer and Mer- Merriam
riam and others that a Sewer be laid in Washington Street from Wil Goodnow
liams Court to State Street — of Charles Merriam and others that the Char- Blanchard
don Street sewer may be relaid — of Luther Goodnow, Executor that a Rose
sewer be laid under his estate in Causeway Street — of Thomas Blanch- Drury
ard and others that the present system of drainage in Bower Street may
be improved — of James M. Rose that the Fremont Street sewer be extended
to Lenox Street — of Otis Drury that a sewer be laid in Havre Street —

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Johnson
Sayer
Ordered

H. F. Johnson and others that the Worcester Rail Road drain be allowed to empty into the Back Bay of Stephen Sayer to be paid for damages occasioned by a change of grade in Bennington Street & of Huron Road and others that measures be taken to improve the sewerage in said Street - reported a reference of said several subjects to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

Adjourned to Tuesday next (tomorrow) at three o'Clock P.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Tuesday the Thirtieth day of December, Anno Domini, 1856.

Present.

The Mayor and all the Aldermen.

Jurors

Twelve Traverse Jurors were drawn for the Supreme Judicial Court.

Company G of the Second Regiment of Infantry having changed the location of their Armory from No. 169 Hanover Street to No. 6 and 7 Hanover Streets building since the passage and reference of their petition Dec. 24th the Committee on Armories reported in favor of the approval of the latter locality instead of the one first named by said Company: which report was accepted by the Board. | Dec 30. 1856 Company G.

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings to whom was referred the communication of the School Committee in which the Primary School Buildings on Worcester Dedham and Northampton Streets are surrendered to the city council would recommend the passage of the accompanying order for the sale of said buildings. For the Committee, John T. Dingley, Chairman, pro tem. Ordered: That the Committee on Public Buildings be and they are hereby authorized to sell at public auction or otherwise the Primary School Buildings on Dedham, Northampton and Worcester Streets. Read twice and the order passed. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. Approved by the Mayor January 2. 1857. | Primary School Buildings

The Joint Standing Committee on Public Buildings who were directed by an order of the City Council to purchase a site for a Ward Room for Ward No. 8 not having had time properly to consider said subject recommend its reference to the next City Council. For the Committee, John T. Dingley Chairman, pro tem. Read and accepted. Sent down for concurrence. Dec. 31. Came up concurred. | Ward No. 8. Ward Room.

Whereas, in the opinion of the Board, the safety and convenience of the inhabitants require that Hanover Street should be widened by taking land of George H. Gerrish it is therefore hereby Ordered, That due notice be given to the said Gerrish that | Hanover St. Gerrish

Dec. 30. 1856. this Board intend to widen the Street before mentioned by taking a part of his land and laying out the same as a public Street, and that Monday the twelfth day of January next at four o'clock, P.M, is assigned as the time for hearing any Objections which may be made thereto.

Y. Street Sewer. Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board passed on the twenty fifth day of August 1856 public notice thereof having first been given a Common Sewer has been constructed in Y. Street the cost of which was One Hundred thirty seven dollars and eighty seven cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Three Hundred and three dollars and 41/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Jan 2. 1857.

Federal Street Sewer. Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the Seventh day of July 1856, public notice thereof having first been given a Common Sewer has been constructed in Federal Street, the cost of which was Six Hundred and twenty eight dollars and ninety six cents one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Four hundred seventy one dollars 72/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to the respe

live names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Jany 2. 1857. Dec 30 1856

E. Waltham Street Sewer.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the seventh day of July 1856. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in E. Waltham Street the cost of which was Four hundred and twenty nine dollars and thirteen cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted to be paid by the said City, there remains Three hundred and twenty one dollars 50 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law. It is therefore Ordered that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor Jany 3 1857.

Pine Street Sewer.

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the eighteenth day of August 1856. public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Pine Street, the cost of which was Three hundred and fifty two dollars and three cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains Two hundred sixty four dollars and 50 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed with the sums therein set to their respective names as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be

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certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor, Jany 2. 1857.

Emerald Road sewer

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twentieth day of October, 1856 public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Emerald Road the cost of which was one hundred and forty four dollars and eighty eight cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, the remains one hundred and eight dollars and $\frac{66}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor. January 2^{d} 1857.

Silver Road Sewer

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the twenty second day of September 1856 public notice thereof having first been given, a Common Sewer has been constructed in Silver Road, the cost of which was eighty dollars and seventy two cent, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains sixty dollars and $\frac{54}{100}$ to be charged to persons benefitted by the same according to law: It is therefore Ordered that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and

passed. Approved by the Mayor January 2d 1857.

Dec. 30 1856 White Head Lane

Whereas pursuant to an Order of this Board, passed on the seventeenth day of Nov. 1856 public notice thereof having first been given, a common Sewer has been constructed in White Head the cost of which was Six hundred and twenty seven dollars and twenty four cents, one quarter part whereof being deducted, to be paid by the said City, there remains four hundred and seventy dollars 44/100 to be charged to persons benefitted by the same, according to law: It is therefore Ordered, that the persons named in the Schedule hereunto annexed, being benefitted as aforesaid, be and they hereby are charged and assessed, with the sums therein set to their respective names, as their proportional part of the expense of the said Sewer, and the same is ordered to be certified and notice thereof given to the parties aforesaid, their tenants or lessees. Read twice and passed. Approved by the Mayor January 2d 1857.

Pickering Emerson

The Committee on Steam Engines &c. to whom were referred the petitions of Arthur Pickering, and of John Emerson and others that the City would forbid the erection of a Steam Planing Mill in Federal Street, report that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Chaver, Chairman. Read and accepted.

Kneeland Street

Agreeably to assignment the Board took up the subject of the proposed opening of the portion of Kneeland Street lying between Albany and Lincoln Streets as a public highway, and the question being on the passage of the report and order (as recorded page 671) it was decided by Yeas and Nays as follows - Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, Rich and Wightman, 6. Nays Aldermen Benney, Barrow, Kendall, 3. Absent Aldermen Hammond and Shurtleff. The said order was adopted.

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Discontinuance Land.

On motion of Alderman Wright. man the rescript and order for the discontinuance of a portion of Linden Street between Orange and Oak Streets, were taken from the table and were indefinitely postponed.

Adjourned to Thursday next at eleven o'Clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Thursday the first day of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Mayor, and all the Aldermen except Alderman Plummer.

City Charter

The Report of the Joint Special Committee concerning alterations in the City Charter and the Statutes relative to the administration of the Financial and Prudential Affairs of the City (being City Document No 62), having been referred in Common Council to the next City Council, said action came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ballast

The Joint Standing Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred an Ordinance respecting the duties of Weighers and Inspectors of Coal and Ballast, recommend

a reference of the subject to the next City Council. For the Committee, | 685
H. G. Washburn. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for | January 1. 1857
concurrence. Read and concurred.

A communication from J. N. Sykes | Sykes
a member of the School Committee from Ward No. 2 concerning the Langua- | Adams School
ge used in a report of the Committee on Public Buildings, City Doc. No. 74, | House
on the subject of the Adams School House was referred in Common
Council to the next City Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and con
curred.

Ordered: That the City Messenger | Documents
be and he is hereby authorized to procure the suitable binding of the | to be bound.
Documents of the year 1856 one copy for each member of the City Council. Pas
sed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred
Approved by the Mayor Jan. 2d 1857.

The Joint Standing Committee | Bonds
on Ordinances to whom was referred the subject of an Ordinance pro-
viding for a system of uniformity among the Bonds of City Officers
recommend a reference of the subject to the next City Council. For the
Committee H. G. Washburn In Common Council. Read and accepted.
Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Ordered: That the City Treasur- | Free
er be and he is hereby authorized and directed to pay the expense of | Tickets
Yearly Season Tickets for such pupils of the Normal, English High and
Latin Schools, as are resident in East Boston and whose names shall
be duly certified to him by the masters of said Schools as being entitled
to such privilege:- the expense thereof to be charged to the appropriation
for Grammar Schools. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concur
rence Read and this Board non-concurred in the passage thereof.

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East Boston Ferries.

Whereas: That part of Boston called East Boston is separated from the City proper by water which is only passable as a highway for travel by Ferries and whereas said Ferries by authority of the Legislature and two of the citizens of Boston who pass and repass thereon and whereas said City of Boston has purchased or built and does maintain Bridges and Avenues to and from South Boston, and the same are free for travel without toll. Therefore Resolved in the opinion of the City Council, that it is the duty of the Board of Aldermen of Boston to lay out such avenues and purchase or construct such Ferries to and from East Boston and the City proper as are necessary for the public convenience, and that the same should be free of toll. In common Council. Referred to the next City Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and non-concurred.

Bills to pay.

Ordered: That the following Bills for supplies furnished to the City by persons connected with the government be audited and paid, provided they are approved in the usual manner and allowed by the Committee on Accounts, viz: Eli Norcross & Co for the House of Correction twenty six dollars and eighty eight cents, Joseph West & Co for the Lunatic Hospital one hundred twenty dollars and thirty six cents. Same for House of Correction, eighteen dollars. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred, Approved by the Mayor, January 2. 1857.

Horse Rail roads.

The Joint Standing Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred an Ordinance respecting Horse Rail Roads, commend its reference to the next city Council. For the Committee J. L. Washburn. In Common Council Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

The Joint Standing Committee on Ordinances to whom was referred the subject of an Ordinance to repeal the Annual Parade of the Fire Department in pursuance of the subject to the next City Council. For the Committee. Returned. In Common Council. Read and accepted. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred.

Jany 1857. Fire Department Parade.

Ordered: That there be paid to the City Messenger the sum of four hundred dollars being the amount of expense incurred by him for the accommodation of the City Council of Boston, on the occasion of the recent Railroad jubilee in the City of Montreal. This sum to be charged to the appropriation for Incidental Expenses and Miscellaneous Claims. Passed in Common Council. Came up for concurrence. Read and concurred by Yeas and Nays as follows, Yeas Aldermen Brewster, Bonney, Quincy, Lincoln, Jackson, Kendall, Rich, Wightman 8. Nays Aldermen Cheever and Codman 2. Approved by the Mayor January 21st 1857.

Montreal Expenses

Alderman Codman submitted to the Board the following order. Ordered: That a public square be laid out on that portion of the South Bay Lands according to a Plan filed herewith dated January 1. 1857. Read and referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

New Square, South Bay Lands

On the several petitions of Ammi B. Lombard and others, that the City would purchase and lay out as a public highway the Avenue from Commercial Street to the East Boston Ferry - of Moses Carr and others that the City would purchase and lay out as a public highway the Street leading from Sumner Street to the Topics Ferry - of the Topics Ferry Company that the avenue and leading to their Slips may be accepted as public highways of South Boston and others that the City would purchase the eastern part of

Lombard Carr Topics Ferry & Boston Boulevard.

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Ropes Ivanere Street

Staley East Street

Tuckerman Washington St

Bowker

Bartlett

Dunbar Engine at East Boston

Mason Fire Engine

Also the committee on Streets reported that said several petitioners have leave to withdraw. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was re committed the notice of intention to widen Ivanere Street by taking land of William Ropes and wife, reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

The Committee on Streets to whom was re committed the notice of intention to widen East Street by taking land of Edward Staley, reported a reference of the subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

On the several petitions of Edward Tuckerman's heirs to be paid for damages occasioned by the widening of Washington Street near Dock Square of the same parties that the Board would remove the projections on the line of Washington Street which set in the above mentioned premises of Daniel Bowker for compensation for damages sustained by the widening of North Street of George Bartlett and others that Brandon and Ivers Streets be widened, the committee on Streets reported a reference of said several matters to the next Board of Aldermen. Read & accepted.

The committee on the Fire Department to whom was referred the subject of locating an engine and company on the South section of East Boston, as prayed for by Joseph Dunbar and others, reported a reference of said subject to the next Board of Aldermen. Read and accepted.

The Committee on the Fire Department, to whom was referred the communication of the Mayor suggest-

ting that the Steam Fire Engine be incorporated into the apparatus of the Fire Department, reported that the Steam Engine has been placed in the Department, a Company formed and ready for service. Read and accepted. 084. January 1857

Alderman Rich moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Board at its last meeting decided to lay out the portion of Kneeland Street between Albany and Lincoln Streets, as a public highway; and the Yeas and Nays being demanded on said motion they were taken as follows - Yeas: Aldermen Bonney, Calhoun, Cheever, Kendall, Rich 5. Nays - Aldermen Bowler, Codman, Dingley, Jackson, and Wightman 5. Absent, Alderman Plummer. So said motion did not prevail. Kneeland Street

Adjourned to Saturday next, at ten and a quarter o'clock, A.M.

At a meeting of the Board of Aldermen of the City of Boston held at City Hall on Saturday the Third day of January, Anno Domini, 1857.

Present,

The Chairman and all the Aldermen.

Petition of Rebecca Pierce to be paid for use of her land at East Boston by the Sewer Department. Read and referred to the next Board of Aldermen. Pierce

The Committee on the Fire De-
Aug. 3 1857 partment to whom was referred the notice of intention to build a wood
Phelps on building by Charles A. Phelps on Warren Street, reported that no furth-
er action thereon is required. Accepted.

Richardson. The Committee on the Treasury
Department to whom was referred the petition of Thomas Richardson
that the payment of his bond be deferred until after the termination of his
suit vs the City, reported that the petitioner have leave to withdraw. Read
and accepted.

Loorjoy On the petition of W. R. Loorjoy to be
paid for damages sustained by change of grade in Marginal Street,
the Committee on Paving reported that the petitioner have leave to
withdraw - on the ground that the benefit derived more than balances
any damages which he alleges he has sustained. Read and accepted.

Richardson The Joint Standing Committee on
Claims to whom was referred the notice from Thomas Richardson
of intention to sue the City for trespass respectfully recommend that
the petitioner have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever,
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Coyan- The Joint Standing Committee on
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rator of Lorenzo Rull, for an allowance to the family of the deceased
alleged to have been killed in consequence of a defect in Fremont Street
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Warner The Joint Standing Committee
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The Joint Standing Committee on claims to whom was referred the petition of Mrs Sophia Perry Congress to be paid for the passage of the teams of the city over their Ferry respectfully recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. | Sophia Perry & ingraham

The Joint Standing Committee on claims to whom was referred the petition of Henry T. Harper & others respecting their claim for the use of locks at Deer Island alleged to be an infringement of their patent respectfully recommend that the petitioners have leave to withdraw. For the Committee, James Cheever, Chairman. Read and accepted. | Harper & Co

Ordered: That the Mayor be and he is hereby authorized to discharge the Mortgage on Guard Lock in Dorchester given by William Evans to the City of Boston dated June 1856 and recorded with Norfolk Deeds also a mortgage on a Steam dredge and other personal property given by said Evans to the City of Boston dated June 3d 1856, and recorded in the office of the City Clerk of Boston. the notes for which said mortgages were given having been fully paid. Read twice and passed. | Mortgages discharged.

Ordered: That an order passed by the Board of Aldermen March 20. 1854 to pay Thomas Richardson the sum of Four Hundred dollars for Laying and Relaying and Setting Curb Stones on Federal Street Nov. 22d 1852 be and said order is hereby rescinded. Read twice and passed. | Richardson

Unfinished business

Ordered: That all matters of an unfinished nature be referred to the next Board of Aldermen.

Mayor Thanks to

The business of the Board having been accomplished, Alderman Dingley with some appropriate remarks submitted to the Board the following resolve. Resolved: That the thanks of this Board is presented to the Hon. Alexander H. Rice for the able, faithful and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of presiding officer when in the chair of this Board and as Chief Magistrate of our City for the past year. Said resolve having been seconded by Alderman Rich and Wightman was unanimously adopted; and it having been communicated to the Mayor, His Honor appeared and made a suitable reply thereto.

Chairman Thanks to

Alderman Plummer then submitted to the Board the following resolve. Resolved: That the thanks of this Board are justly due, and are hereby presented, to Reuben Bonney Esquire for the faithful and impartial manner, in which he has discharged the duties of Chairman of this Board during the year which has closed. Said resolve having been seconded by Aldermen Dingley and Calnow was unanimously adopted:- and Alderman Bonney having made a suitable reply thereto- it was voted that the remarks of the Mayor and Chairman of the Board be printed, and bound with the City Documents for this Municipal Year.

The Board then adjourned sine die.

Attest

Alfred W. Williams

City Clerk

I the subscriber do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true Record of proceedings of the Board of Aldermen for the year 1856 - Pages 1 to 692 inclusive.

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